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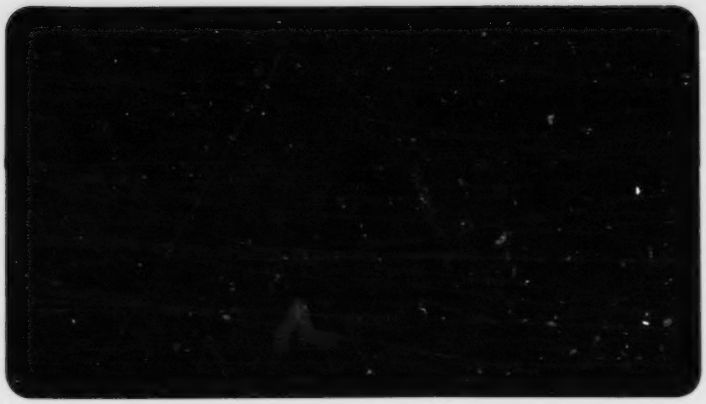
Disabled Persons Commission



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INTRODUCTION

The Nova Scotia Disabled Persons Commission has compiled a number of key programs and services of benefit to persons with disabilities in Nova Scotia and is pleased to provide this program directory and contact/mailing list.

If you should notice any errors or omissions, please fill out the included forms and return them by mail or fax to the Disabled Persons Commission office. We are trying to ensure that the information in this directory is as accurate and up-to-date as possible.

Mail or fax to the Commission office at the following address or fax number:

Disabled Persons Commission
5675 Spring Garden Rd.
PO Box 222, Halifax, NS B3L 4T9

FAX: (902) 424-0592

UPDATE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES INFORMATION:

1. Administering Department/Agency:
2. Program Name:
3. Address:
4. Postal Code:
5. Phone Number:
6. Fax Number:
7: TTY Number:
8. E-mail Address:

Please attach a brief description of your programs(s) or service(s).
Thank you for your assistance.

DISABLED PERSONS COMMISSION

The Disabled Persons Commission was established to provide a framework whereby Nova Scotians with disabilities can advise policy-makers and program developers on the needs of persons with disabilities. The Act provides a mechanism for persons with disabilities to become policy advisors on issues and concerns which directly affect their lives.

Specifically, the purpose of the Disabled Persons Commission is to:

A. provide for the participation of persons with disabilities in the development of government policies and programs which directly relate to or affect persons with disabilities;

B. ensure that the concerns of persons with disabilities will be promoted and considered by the government, especially in matters of policy and where concerns affect several departments of the government;

C. ensure that the concerns of persons with disabilities, are conveyed to the proper department of government and are dealt with in an appropriate, effective and timely manner.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

The current members of the Nova Scotia Disabled Persons Commission are:

Mr. Ralph Ferguson
Mr. Scott Hemming
Mrs. Nita Irvine
Mr. Craig MacKinnon
Mr. Ted Morrison
Mr. Frank O'Sullivan
Ms. Barbara Welsford
Mr. Craig Hinchey
Ms. Crystal Taylor
Ms. Aileen Waller-Hebb
Mr. Shaun Whittleton
Mr. Brian Wilbur

The Disabled Persons Commission is primarily responsible to the Government of Nova Scotia, through the Coordinating Committee of Ministers. The Chairperson of this Coordinating Committee is the Minister responsible for reporting on disabled persons, the Minister of Community Services, the Honourable Francene Cosman. Membership on the Coordinating Committee is comprised of Ministries that have a direct stake in provision of services for persons with disabilities. These Ministries are: Health, Community Services, Housing and Municipal Affairs, Labour, Transportation and Public Works and Human Resources.

Ultimately, the Disabled Persons Commission serves the estimated 21.3% of Nova

Scotians (in excess of 189,000 persons) who have a disability.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Disabled Persons Commission
2695 Dutch Village Road, Suite 203
Halifax, Nova Scotia B3L 4T9
Phone:424-8280
Fax:424-0592
TTY:424-2667
Toll Free:1-800-565-8280
E-Mail:dpcomm@gov.ns.ca

NOVA SCOTIA ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The Advisory Council was established by statute in 1977, with the mandate of advising the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women and of bringing forward the concerns of Women.

The mission of the Advisory Council is to advance equality, fairness and dignity for all women.

Council pursues this mission through five strategic goals:

- To increase the participation of women in all the diversity in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities, with particular emphasis on those who face discrimination because of race, age language, class, ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation or various forms of family status.
- To advise on ways in which legislation, government policies and programs can advance equality for women in Nova Scotia.
- To promote women's economic equality.
- To promote violence again women in communities, workplaces and families.
- To improve the health and well-being of women and their families.

Council works to meet these goals through research and policy advice; through information and education; and through community and partnership development. The Council houses a 5,000 volume Resource Centre and publishes a newsletter four times a year.

For additional information please contact:

Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women
6169 Quinpool Road, Suite 202
P.O. Box 745
Halifax, NS B3J 2T3
Telephone: 424-8662
Toll-Free: 1-800-565-8662 (in Nova Scotia)
Fax: 424-0573
E-Mail: nsacsw@gov.ns.ca

BUSINESS AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Access Nova Scotia
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Consumer Proposals
Debtor Assistance Program
Direct Assistance Program
Harmonized Sales Tax Assistance to Persons with Disabilities
Parking for Persons with Disabilities
Public Enquiry Service
Residential Tenancies Service
Vehicle Registration by Telephone

Access Nova Scotia

Access Nova Scotia centres have been set up by the Province of Nova Scotia to help people find out about government services, programs and information that may be useful to them. When necessary, staff at the centres will find the government department, agency, or person who can deal with a person's question or concern.

The five centres are located in Bridgewater, Kentville, Sydney, Truro and Yarmouth. Staff at Access Nova Scotia will find answers, information, forms, applications or a contact person for people seeking information from Provincial, Federal or Municipal governments. The Kentville Access Nova Scotia office also provides a directory of community and health related services for the Valley Region.

For further information, contact the nearest Access Nova Scotia Centre.

1-800-225-8227 (Toll-free Within Nova Scotia)

Bridgewater
77 Dufferin Street
Bridgewater, NS B4V 3W8
Phone: 543-0660
Fax: 543-0599
E-mail: ansbridg@gov.ns.ca

Kentville
28 Aberdeen Street
Kentville, NS B4N 2N1
Phone: 679-6170
Fax: 679-6094
E-mail: anskent@gov.ns.ca

Truro
35 Commercial Street, Suite 101
Truro, NS B2N 3H9
Phone: 893-6280
Fax: 893-6108
E-mail: anstruro@gov.ns.ca

Sydney
15 Dorchester Street
Commerce Tower, 1st Floor
Sydney, NS B1P 5Y9
Phone: 563-3700
Fax: 563-3399
E-mail: dbcs.access@gov.ns.ca

Yarmouth
Centre Town Square
Suite 10, 328 Main Street
Yarmouth, NS B5A 1E4
Phone: 742-0750
Fax: 742-0019
E-mail: ansyarm@gov.ns.ca

Business Practice Program

The Department of Business and Consumer Services offers protection for consumers through the Business Practice Program. The program provides consumer education, advice and mediation of complaints between buyers and sellers.

The Department regulates business activities under a number of statutes including real estate, insurance, credit activities, collection activities and direct sellers, along with others. In most cases, these statutes contain provisions to protect consumers when used by the Business Practices and Licensing Programs when responding to consumer complaints.

Also, you may contact the department if you have questions concerning complaints being filed against a business or merchant. Consumer information on a variety of issues is available. Staff will also be pleased to accept speaking engagements for interested groups and schools.

For further information, contact the nearest office of the Department of Business and Consumer Services or:

P.O. Box 2502
Halifax, NS B3J 3N5
Telephone: 424-7020
Fax: 424-8652/424-0518
Web site: http://www.gov.ns.ca

Consumer Proposals

The Consumer Proposals program provides individuals with an opportunity to make a proposal to their creditors to modify payments. The Department of Business and Consumer Services administers Consumer Proposals under the federal Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act. In order to be eligible for this program, persons must be facing financial difficulty and have debts of less than $75,000 (not including their mortgage).

For additional information, please contact:

Department of Business and Consumer Services
P.O. Box 2653
Halifax, NS B3J 3P7
Telephone: 424-7020
Fax: 424-0518/424-8652

Debtor Assistance Program

This program offers counselling to individuals facing financial difficulty. Counsellors assist clients to prepare a family budget, or in some cases, refer clients to Consumer Proposals or personal bankruptcy. Counsellors may also assist in issuing department repayment orders under the Orderly Payment of Debts provisions.

For more information, please contact:

Department of Business and Consumer Services
P.O. Box 2653
Halifax, NS B3J 3P7
Telephone: 424-2920 (Halifax)
424-5561 (Dartmouth)

Direct Assistance Program

The Direct Assistance Program provides for a payment of $125 to eligible families with a net annual income of $16,500 or less in 1997. Eligible individuals who earned a net income of $9,500 or less can receive $90. When seniors are calculating their net income, the Guaranteed Income Supplement is not included, thereby making more seniors eligible for the rebate. The Program was announced in the 1997 budget to assist working and retired individuals and families whose incomes were so low that they would not directly benefit from the July 1997 cut in the provincial income tax rate.

The program is designed for low-income families and individuals who did not receive other assistance from the province. As such, the following are not eligible for the Direct Assistance Program:

- persons who received social assistance for more than three months in 1997
- students enrolled in a post-secondary institution for four months or more in 1997
- persons supported by the province in long term care facilities.

Applicants must be at least 19 years of age.

Anyone who feels they may be eligible for the program may obtain an application at an Access Nova Scotia office, or by calling 1-800-787-0889. Applicants will need to provide a copy of their 1997 Income Tax Assessment Form.

Harmonized Sales Tax Assistance to Persons with Disabilities

a) Automobile Acquisition

Persons who do not have the use of their lower limbs may be eligible for a rebate on the Harmonized Sales Tax, to a maximum of $3,000 for the purchase of an automobile for their own use. Also, this rebate may be available to persons purchasing a vehicle for the transportation of an individual who does not have the use of their lower limbs.

The Harmonized Sales Tax may also be refunded for the cost of modifying a vehicle for the use of a person who does not have the use of both lower limbs.

b) Computer Acquisition

Persons who purchase a personal computer for the use by a person who has a significant communication disability or mobility disability may be eligible for a rebate of the Harmonized Sales Tax to a maximum of $300.

For more information or to apply for these programs, please contact:

Provincial Tax Commission
Tax Refund Unit
P.O. Box 755
Halifax, NS B3J 2V4
Telephone: 424-7341
Toll-Free in Nova Scotia: 1-800-787-0889

Parking for Persons with Disabilities

Persons with disabilities wanting to obtain a "Handicapped Parking Permit" or a "Handicapped Parking Number Plate" should contact the Registry of Motor Vehicles for an application form, which must be partially completed by the applicant. The Medical Certification section of the application must be completed and signed by a qualified medical practitioner. Persons with disabilities who display either the "Handicapped Parking Permit" or the "Handicapped Parking Number Plate" are permitted to legally park in designated handicapped parking spaces. The "Handicapped Parking Permit" should be hung from the rear view mirror and should be visible if looking in through the front windshield of the vehicle.

Persons with disabilities are eligible for "Handicapped Parking Permits". In order to be eligible for "Handicapped Parking Number Plates", the vehicle must be registered in the name of, and regularly operated by, the person with a disability.

Persons with temporary disabilities may also obtain a temporary identification Parking

Permit valid for the anticipated length of time that the disability is expected to continue, but not to exceed a term of six months. However, upon further certification by a medical practitioner that the person has not recovered, the term may be extended until the point of recovery.

Handicapped Identification Permits may also be issued to a visitor to Nova Scotia, if the visitor established current valid identification bearing the International Symbol of Access issued by the visitor's home province, state or county; and/or is a mobility impaired person. Permits will be issued for the length of the visit but not exceeding a term of three months.

A Corporation in respect of a number of vehicles that are owned, leased or operated on behalf of the corporation primarily to provide transportation service to mobility impaired persons may acquire a "Handicapped Parking Permit".

For further information on Handicapped Parking, contact:

Business & Consumer Services
Registry of Motor Vehicles
Telephone: 424-5851
Toll Free: 1-800-898-7668 (to speak to a representative, dial 3 from your touch tone phone)

Public Enquiry Service

This service provides a toll free telephone inquiry line to the general public to receive information on services, programs, policies and initiatives of the Nova Scotia Government. Information and materials are provided in response to requests from schools, the media, the public and government staff. The service researches and maintains a database of information files, directories, government lists and government information materials. Information from this office is free of charge; however, there may be a cost for some Nova Scotia Government publications.

For further information, please contact:

Public Enquiries Office
Business and Consumer Services
8th Floor North, Maritime Centre
1505 Barrington Street
P.O. Box 2734
Halifax, NS B3J 3P7
Telephone: 424-5200 (Halifax metro area)
Toll-free: 1-800-670-4357 (in Nova Scotia)

Residential Tenancies Service

The Residential Tenancies Service provides information on the rights and obligations of both tenants and landlords. If a dispute arises between the tenant and landlord, the Department of Business and Consumer Services will attempt to broker a settlement.

Issues such as the security deposit, the termination of a lease, or the conditions of the premises may cause a dispute. The services are designed to help persons find a satisfactory solution.

A Residential Tenancies Officer will hear the case, and render a decision, if a mediated settlement cannot be reached between the landlord and tenant. (Decisions may be appealed.)

For further information, please contact:

Department of Business and Consumer Services
P.O. Box 2502
Halifax, NS B3J 3N5
Telephone: 424-4188

Vehicle Registration by Telephone

All passenger and light commercial vehicle registrations can be renewed by touch tone telephone in about three minutes. Documents are returned by mail the next business day.

Call 1-800-898-7668 to reach the new interactive telephone system. You will need a valid Visa or Mastercard and have your driver's licence or plate number at hand.

CANADA PENSION PLAN DISABILITY BENEFITS

Canada Pension Plan (CPP) disability benefits are part of the Broader Canada Pension Plan which began in 1966. Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) administers the CPP. Under this portable plan, employers and employees share the contributions, which accumulate from job to job. Working Canadians over the age of 18 have to contribute to the CPP. Their annual earnings determine the amount they contribute. In turn, these contributions and the investment earnings they generate finance benefits in the event of retirement, disability or death.

The Canada Pension Plan disability program was designed to provide protection to working Canadians against the loss of earnings due to a disability that prevents them from working at any job, no matter what caused the disability. It is especially important for those who do not have private disability coverage or are not covered by Workers' Compensation.

Changes to the CPP came into effect on January 1, 1998. The following disability provisions changed:

- If you became disabled after December 31, 1997, you must have contributed to the CPP in four of the last six years. During that period, you must have earned at least 10 per cent of the Years' Maximum Pensionable Earnings (YMPE). In 1998, the YMPE is $36,900. The YMPE changes each year. There are provisions which may help late applicants qualify.

- For disability beneficiaries, the conversion to a retirement pension is based on the YMPE at the time your disability began, with adjustments to price increases to retirement. Retirement pensions continue to be fully indexed to the Consumer Price Index. When beneficiaries reach age 65, their retirement income may be increased with the addition of an Old Age Security/Seniors Benefit payment.

- If you become entitled to a combined survivor/disability pension, you will receive:

    - the larger of the two flat-rate amounts, plus
    - up to 75 per cent of the maximum retirement pension payable at age 65 for the year in which you become eligible for the second pension.

The total amount of the combined benefit cannot exceed the maximum disability pension payable in the year in which you become eligible for the second benefit.

- You cannot change your early retirement pension to a disability pension

- The CPP cannot pay a disability pension unless the CPP received an application

before the contributor died.

- The CPP can negotiate agreements with individual Workers' Compensation Boards to end the combining or "stacking" of benefits in some provinces.

The above changes do not apply if the disability began before January 1, 1998.

If you were already receiving a CPP benefit, it is not affected by the new legislation, but any future benefit will be affected.

All disability benefits under the CPP continue to be fully indexed to the Consumer Price Index. Work incentives allow beneficiaries to:

- volunteer or attend school without fear of losing benefits as long as they have a continuing disability;

- continue to receive benefits for three months after returning; and

- have their application fast-tracked if their disability again prevents them from working.

HRDC also introduced new adjudication guidelines and appeals procedures, and strengthened reassessments to ensure that benefits are paid only to those who are eligible for them.

As well, new technology, medical treatments and skills training now mean that some people with disabilities can become part of and remain in the workforce. The Canada Pension Plan disability program has recognized this and, in 1997, introduced the vocational rehabilitation program. This program is meant to help people who already receive a CPP Disability benefit return to work.

The CPP disability vocational rehabilitation program is one part of the government of Canada's response to meet the changing needs of persons with disabilities.

CPP disability benefits are paid to contributors under age 65 who:

- meet the requirements on earnings level and years of contribution; and

- have a physical or mental disability which is "severe and prolonged."

This means a disability which is long term and prevents them from doing any type of paid work on a regular basis.

Benefits are also paid for the dependent children of disabled contributors.

For information about the changes to the Canada Pension Plan, call free of charge:

1-800-343-8282. Persons with hearing/speech impairments using TDD/TTY devices call 1-800-465-7735.

If you need more information about the Canada Pension Plan, please call free of charge: 1-800-277-9914 English or 1-800-277-9915 French. For TTY access, call 1-800-255-4786. Please have your social insurance number (SIN) ready.

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Adoption Disclosure

The Adoption Information Act proclaimed January 1, 1997 provides a process for the release of adoption information or contact where an adoption was completed in Nova Scotia.

For further information please contact:

Adoption Disclosure Services Program
Department of Community Services
P.O. Box 696
Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2T7
(902) 424-2755

or see Department of Community Services Website.

Adoption Services

District Offices of the Department of Community Services, Family and Children's Services Agencies and Children's Aid Societies provide adoption services including:

- Agency Adoptions
- Private Relative Adoptions
- International Adoptions

For specific detail please contact the agency or district office in your area providing these services of the Department of Community Services at (902) 424-3205 or see the Department of Community Services Website.

Adult Protection Legislation

The Adult Protection Act provides a means whereby all citizens of Nova Scotia who are 16 years of age or older who lack the mental or physical ability to adequately care/ protect themselves, can be protected from abuse or neglect.

The Act states that anyone who has information - even if it is confidential or privileged - regarding a person 16 years of age or older being abused or neglected and who is physically or mentally incapable, must by law, report that information to the appropriate authorities. No action shall be taken against a person who gives this information, unless the giving of the information is done maliciously or without reasonable and probable cause.

For cases of extreme emergency, all offices have a weekend duty system. A worker can be reached by dialling the office number for an answering service or by calling the

local RCMP or police.

Adult Residential Centres

Adult Residential Centres provide individuals who have a mental handicap or mental disability with stable, long-term living environments. Rehabilitation training and development programming are a significant but less intensive part of their services.

The Centres are operated by various municipalities and municipal or private corporations. The Department of Community Services Adult Residential Centres are located in Sydney River, Watervilie, Riverton, Pugwash, Beaverbank, Barrington, Yarmouth, Dayspring and Bridgetown.

Child Abuse Registry

The Department maintains a central Child Abuse Registry within the Family and Children's Services Division. A central register is needed because abusive persons may move from one family situation to another or actively seek out children as victims. The Register is a mechanism in the protection of children as it is available for screening persons who might care for or work with children, including volunteers or persons applying to adopt or foster a child.

Child Care for Children with Special Needs

A child with special needs may attend any child care program in the Province with the permission of the program's director.

Child care programs with subsidized spaces (other than developmental centres) are eligible to receive differential funding to support the inclusion of a child with special needs in the regular daily program. A child's special needs and requirements for support must be identified/described by either a health care professional or an early interventionist. A parent/guardian interested in pursuing an integrated early childhood experience for their child should contact the centre directly to make arrangements. The Centre's director then applies to Prevention and Child Care Services for financial assistance, indicating how the funds will be spent. There are 65 differentially funded spaces to share around the Province. Once these are filled, a waiting list is established.

Individualized Program Planning (IPP) is carried out for each child in the program. The child's parents/guardians, early childhood educators, health care professionals and early interventionist, are responsible for the design of the IPP to be implemented in the child care program.

For more information, please contact:

Program Specialist
Prevention and Child Care Services
Department of Community Services
P.O. Box 696
Halifax, NS B3J 2T7
Phone: 424-6286

Community Based Employment Program

The Community Based Employment Program has several projects being operated at Vocational Service Centres with assistance and direction provided by the Department of Community Services, Economic Development and Tourism, and Education and Culture; and at the federal level, Human Resources Development Canada. These workshop facilities offer persons a place to work and to develop skills to make them more employable.

Community Outreach/In-Home Support Program

The In-Home Support Program provides support and financial assistance to families caring for a developmentally/physically handicapped child at home. There are three categories of support for families who meet the income criteria. Services are provided to children up to the age of eighteen years.

Financial assistance is provided for respite care, medications, transportation to medical related appointments, and extraordinary costs related to the child's care.

Direct Deposit - Family Benefits/Social Assistance

Direct Deposit provides the convenience of depositing your monthly Family Benefits/Social Assistance entitlement directly into your financial institution account, rather than receiving a cheque in the mail.

Early Intervention Program

This program provides a range of home based services to families with children between birth and 5 years of age who are developmentally delayed, or are at risk for delay. In cooperation with the child's parents, an individual developmental assessment and program plan is prepared for each child at 6 month intervals. Through regular home visits, parents and family members are introduced to assessment techniques, program planning, advocacy skill development and

community-based support services.

Eligibility Review Program

The purpose of the Eligibility Review Program is to provide increased control and efficiency in the delivery of the Family Benefits/Social Assistance Programs. While the focus of the program is to ensure the correct level of benefits are being issued to eligible clients, it also acts as a deterrent to fraudulent use of income assistance.

Employability Assistance for People with Disabilities

The Employability Assistance for People with Disabilities Initiative (EAPD) is a new cost shared agreement between the Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia that will replace the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Program (VRDP). The primary objective of the VRDP Program was to enable individuals with disabilities to become gainfully employed following a period of assessment, career counselling, and training. The program operated under the federal-provincial Vocational Rehabilitation for Disabled Persons Agreement until March 31, 1998 when the Employability Assistance for People with Disabilities (EAPD) Agreement came into effect. Services eligible for funding under VRDP continue to be offered during the first transition year of EAPD.

Direct services include:

- Information and referral
- Assessment
- Employment and career counselling
- Skills training
- The provision of required medical and technical aids.

The Employability Assistance Program Counsellors are responsible for the initial documentation of the applicant, the counselling, and assessment to determine program eligibility, and for working with the applicant to establish a realistic achievable vocational training plan. Once the vocational plan has been established, the counsellor may forward a Recommendation for Training to the Department of Education and Culture Rehabilitation Programs and Services section for provision of goods and services required to make the plan a success.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the VRDP/EAPD Program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be disabled within the meaning of the VRDP Agreement - that is, disabled to

the extent that they are unable, at the time of requesting services, to seek any meaningful job because of a physical or mental disability, and there is a realistic possibility of benefitting from Voc Rehab/Employability Assistance services.

- The disability makes it impossible to do the work that the person has been trained to do or the disability has made it difficult to undertake training which would lead to employment.

- Be at least 16 years of age at the time of requesting services

- Be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant who is a resident of Nova Scotia

Application Process/Forms

To apply for the EAPD program, the candidate must complete the following:

- A ***Personal Inventory/Application*** for Services filled out by the person requesting services or his/her advocate.

- A ***Rehabilitation Medical Report*** filled out by the family doctor. **It is the applicant's responsibility to cover any costs charged for filling out this form.**

- ***Medical Information Consent Forms*** for each agency, doctor or hospital from which information is needed to prepare a rehabilitation plan.

In certain situations, the applicant may be required to undergo examinations by qualified medical doctors and/or a vocational assessment, and give specific information as needed for program staff.

Persons with disabilities now employed are generally not eligible for services under the Employability Assistance Program with the following two exceptions:

- persons who have gone through a vocational rehabilitation program may be eligible to receive assistance in purchasing technical aids and/or required services for a period of up to 36 months following their involvement with the program;

- persons in danger of losing their job for reasons related to their disability may be provided with required services under the "vocational crisis" option.

Employment Support Services

Employment Support Services is a range of services specifically provided by the Department of Community Services aimed at assisting employable recipients of Social

Assistance and Family Benefits to gain employment. Services are delivered through district offices located throughout the province, and often in conjunction with other agencies and/or government departments. Individuals in receipt of assistance work with staff of the Department to develop return to work plans which may include education, training and/or employment opportunities.

Services available through Employment Support Services include:

- assessment services
- career counselling
- referrals to education, training and employment programs
- job search services
- job development services

The programs formerly known as the Career Planning for Single Parents program, the Vocational Rehabilitation for Disabled Persons program, and services that were available through the Employment Resource Centres are now delivered through Employment Support Services.

Family Maintenance Income Support Program

This program consists of two components:

1) Assignment of Maintenance - To regularize income where there are problems with court ordered maintenance payments, by paying the amount of the monthly maintenance as part of the monthly benefit.

2) Maintenance Support - To assist recipients and applicants in establishing maintenance that is consistent with the non-custodial parent's ability to pay and provides a mechanism for voluntary support agreements that can be reached outside of the court process.

Family Violence Prevention Initiative

The Family Violence Prevention Initiative is a multi-departmental, government-community partnership established in 1992 to coordinate the efforts of government departments and community organizations to respond to the problem of family violence.

The Initiative works to coordinator activities; identify needs and service gaps and ways to overcome them; develop protocols and procedures for a coordinated service response; train professionals, increase public awareness, primarily through the sponsorship of Family Violence Prevention Week, a public education campaign held in February of each year; and provide information and referrals. The Initiative

publishes a selection of fact sheets, newsletters, brochures and other items and maintains a Resource Centre of print and audiovisual materials available on loan to the public free of charge.

Nova Scotia Family Violence Prevention Initiative
5182 Prince Street, 5th Floor
P.O. Box 696
Halifax, NS B3J 2T7
Phone: 424-2079
Fax: 424-0502

Foster Care

District Offices of the Department of Community Services, Family and Children's Services Agencies and Children's Aid Societies provide foster care services for a child in the care of an agency/district office who require an alternate home setting on a temporary or long term basis.

For further information on foster care, please contact the agency or district office in your area providing these services or call (902) 424-3205 or see the Department of Community Services Website.

Group Home and Developmental Residences

There are 38 specialized community residences for persons with intellectual disabilities, mental disabilities and physical disabilities throughout Nova Scotia. Residences provide basic life and community integration skills according to the needs of the residents. Residents usually work or take part in vocational and educational programs during the day. (Refer to Part Two of this directory for a listing of these residences).

Healthy Baby Program

The Healthy Baby Program provides nutritional counselling and additional funds to help pregnant women and new mothers on Family Benefits and Social Assistance have the healthiest baby possible. Additional funding of $29.00 per month maybe provided upon notification of the pregnancy or birth of the child up to and including four months after the birth of the child.

Homes for Special Care

The Homes for Special Care Act licenses homes under two provincial ministries. The

Department of Health is responsible for Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged. The Department of Community Services is responsible for Residential Care Facilities, Group Homes, Developmental Residence, Adult Residential Care Facilities, and Regional Rehabilitation Centres. Nova Scotians who require the services are eligible.

For further information, contact your nearest Department of Community Services and request to speak with a Placement Worker.

Department of Community Services
5182 Prince Street
Johnston Building
P.O. Box 696
Halifax, NS B3J 2T7
Telephone: 424-0932
Fax: 424-0721

Men's Intervention Programs

The six provincially funded men's intervention programs offer counselling to men who abuse women. Some of the programs offer counselling and support for women who are partners or ex-partners of the men. Participants in the program are either sent by a judge, referred by professionals or attend by their own choosing.

Truro, Bridges	897-6665
Amherst, New Directions	667-1344
Bridgewater, Fresh Start	644-2013
Halifax, Project New Start	453-4320
New Glasgow, New Leaf	755-2220
Sydney, Project Second Chance	567-0979

First Nations:

Mi'Kmaq Family Treatment Centres	
Truro, Millbrook First Nation	1-800-565-4741
Whycocomagh, Waycobah First Nation	1-800-565-3440

Provincial Family Benefits

The Provincial Family Benefits program provides long-term financial assistance (usually 12 months or longer) in the form of allowances to cover basic necessities such as: food, clothing, shelter, heat, water, taxes and transportation, employment/training expense allowance, Pharmacare, and nutritional supplement for pregnant and new mothers. Eligible applicants are usually disabled or sole support parents.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

These centres provide rehabilitation and developmental programming for people with the goal to move on to less restrictive alternatives in the community. The Government of Nova Scotia has a five year plan under-way to down-size and eventually close the Halifax County Regional Rehabilitation Centre in Cole Harbour. The Centre is still admitting patients on a short term basis (5 year period or less).

There are Regional Rehabilitation Centres located in Waterville, Sydney River, and Cole Harbour.

Senior's Special Social Assistance Program

The Seniors Special Social Assistance Program provides a monthly payment to seniors to help maintain their independence. The amount of payment is based on a seniors total income less allowable expenses for basic needs such as food and shelter.

Social Assistance Program

The Provincial Social Assistance Program provides financial assistance and support services to persons in need and to help individuals reach their full potential for self reliance by access to employment support services and job opportunities. Items of special need for medical and safety reasons maybe provided to eligible applicants/ recipients. Social Assistance is usually short term in nature.

Technical Resource Center

Serving people with challenges in southwestern Nova Scotia. Kings Regional rehabilitation Centre, 1349 County Home Road, PO Box 128, Waterville, NS B0P 1V0. Tel: (902) 538-3103 ext: 112. Fax: (902) 538-7022. Email: trc@fox.nstn.ca http://www.nsnet.org/trc/

Transition House Programs and Services

The nine provincially funded transition houses offer safe shelter, crisis intervention, advocacy, information and referral, supportive individual and group counselling for abused women and their children. They each operate a 24 hour crisis line and outreach workers provide follow-up and support to women in the community who do not require safe shelter. All safe houses are wheelchair accessible.

Amherst, Cumberland Co. Transition House Association (902) 667-1200

Antigonish, Naomi Society (Safe Houses) (902) 863-2852

Bridgewater, Harbour House Crisis: 543-3999 Toll Free: 1-800-543-3999

Halifax, Bryony House Crisis: 423-7183 Toll Free: 1-800-563-2945

New Glasgow, Tearmann Society Crisis: 752-0132

Mi'kmaq Family Treatment Centres, Indianbrook, Colchester County 1-800-263-8686
Eskasoni, Cape Breton 1-800-263-8300

Port Hawkesbury, Leeside Transition House Crisis: 625-2444

Sydney, Cape Breton Transition House Crisis: 539-2945

Truro, Third Place Crisis: 893-3232

Yarmouth, Juniper House Crisis: 742-8689

Vocational Service Centres

Vocational Service Centres are facilities that develop and promote vocational opportunities for persons with disabilities within Nova Scotia. Workers are trained and expected to produce in accordance with assessed abilities, and to follow the rhythms and routines of daily work.

In recent years, Vocational Service Centres in the province have entered a period of further transition; this time capitalised on the need to secure community-based, competitive employment for persons with disabilities.

Work Activity Program

The purpose of this program is to provide work adjustment training and skills development for individuals who have difficulty in securing or maintaining employment. The underlying purpose is to assist individuals to acquire skills which will permit them to function as independently as possible in the community. Direct services are: information and referral, assessment, skills training and academic upgrading, work placement, counselling and job search skills.

The Work Activity Program is delivered through community based agencies managed by a Board of Directors and the Department of Community Services, Income and Employment Support Services Division.

For further information regarding these programs, please contact the Department of Community Services office in your area.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

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Community Business Loan Program

The Nova Scotia Government provides financial assistance to encourage small business development throughout the province through the Community Business Loan Program. The two components of the program are:

1) First Step Loans which provides loans of up to $10,000 for new entrepreneurs (for new business start-ups).
2) Small Business Growth Loans which provides loans of up to $50,000 for new and existing small businesses.

New entrepreneurs can apply for assistance under either component of this program but not both for the same project. Technical aids for entrepreneurs with disabilities may be considered as an eligible cost when it relates to the activity for which assistance is requested.

Community Opportunities Fund

The Community Opportunities Fund is a project fund which may be used to assist community groups, municipal governments and Regional Development Authorities implement projects which contribute significantly to the present and future economic viability of their area. These projects are mainly capital works projects which must have been identified during a strategic planning process and enjoy broad based community support.

The Community Opportunities Fund is a tool which may be used to improve the capacity of communities throughout Nova Scotia to build their own economic strength and diversity.

This is a reimbursement program. The maximum funding per application is 50% of the project costs or 70% maximum federal/provincial contribution. Total funding to any one project cannot exceed $100,000.00.

Cooperative Employment Program

Using the same format as the Nova Scotia Employment Program for Students, this program allows employers to hire students from approved co-operative programs for the summer, fall and winter terms. Deadlines are approximately two months before the start of each work term.

Nova Scotia Employment Program for Students

In 1998, this program will provide close to 1000 summer jobs for students who are

entering or returning to a post-secondary school in the fall.

Eligible employers are non-profit or government-funded organizations and municipal governments.

The employer submits an application for a specific position(s) in early March. Positions should provide the employee with career-related experience. If approved, the employer receives a wage subsidy of up to $5.00 an hour.

Students may approach potential employers and suggest they apply for a subsidy.

Approved positions are posted at: http://www.gov.ns.ca/ in early May. A listing is also available at Human Resources Development Canada centres.

Nova Scotia Works

Nova Scotia Works provides a wage subsidy to private sector and non-profit employers who provide employment in counties with high unemployment rates. The program ran between January and June this year. Eligible employees do not quality for EI or TAGS. Interested employers should inquire about the program in December.

For more information:

Employment Programs
Economic Development and Tourism
P.O. Box 519
Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2R7
(902) 424-6000 (Halifax Metro)
1-800-424-5418 (Toll Free)

Student Loan Employment Program

University students can save money by living at home for the summer and get career-related experience. Student applications - who are already carrying a student loan - must find an approved employer in the not-for-profit sector and develop their own job.

At least 60% of wages are withheld until the end of summer, when the money is used towards tuition.

Application deadline: February 1999.

University Partners Program

This program was run as a highly successful pilot project with Dalhousie University in the summer of 1997. In the summer of 1998, Dalhousie University, Saint Mary's University and Mount Saint Vincent University participated.

Economic Development and Tourism, participating universities, and approved private sector businesses work in partnership to create summer employment opportunities.

Eligible employees are students from participating institutions who have received financial assistance from the university in the form of a bursary. These students must be enrolled in an academic discipline which does not offer cooperative education or practicum work experience. Students should contact their university's student placement office in March.

Interested employers should contact participating universities to apply, or call Economic Development and Tourism for more information.

Youth Entrepreneurial Skills Program

High school and post-secondary students can borrow up to $5000 to implement an approved business plan. The loan is interest-free if repaid by September 30.

Assistance in writing the business plan, training and advice are also available.

EDUCATION AND CULTURE

Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority
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Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority

The Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority (APSEA) is an Inter-Provincial cooperative agency that provides educational services, programs and opportunities to persons between the ages of 5 and 21 who are Deaf, hard of hearing, blind, visually impaired.

For further information, please contact:

APSEA
5940 South Street
Halifax, NS B3H 1S6
Telephone: 424-8500
TTY: 424-8500
Fax: 424-0543

Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development

The Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development has a broad mandate covering many facets of entrepreneurship. It nurtures entrepreneurship by undertaking, creating, coordinating and acting as a catalyst in four inter-related programs of action. The Centre offers a wide variety of educational services and opportunities both in and out of traditional learning environments.

For further information, please contact:

Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development
1521 Grafton Street
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-5263
Fax: 424-0260
Website: http://www.ceed.ednet.ns.ca

Computers for Schools Program

The "Computers for Schools" technology recycling program puts used but useful computers into the classroom, where they are being used by students for word processing, electronic spreadsheets and desktop publishing. Another important application will be linking the students to Schoolnet, an Internet-based educational resource.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Education and Culture
3370 Kempt Road
Halifax, NS B3K 4X8
Telephone: 424-5229
Fax: 424-0633

Correspondence Study

Correspondence Study provides youth and adults with the opportunity to complete their secondary education while learning at home. This program offers public school courses from Grades 7-12. More than 2,000 students enrol each year in Correspondence Study courses.

Supervisor, Correspondence Study
Department of Education and Culture
Trade Mart, 4th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-5166
Fax: 424-0666

Literacy Services for Persons with Disabilities

The Adult Education Section of the Department of Education and Culture provides programs and services for adults who wish to upgrade their literacy and numeracy skills.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Education and Culture
Trade Mart, 4th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-7288
Fax: 424-0666

Nova Scotia Community Learning Initiative

This initiative provides learning and upgrading opportunities and a starting place for an individual's educational path. This program also provides funding to communities to establish learning networks.

For further information, please contact:

Manager, Adult Education
Department of Education and Culture
Trade Mart, 4th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-5160
Fax: 424-0666

Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education Program

The Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education is an intermediary body responsible for advising the Government of Nova Scotia on all matters related to universities. The Council has executive authority and discretionary powers over funding to ensure a rational, effective, efficient and accessible university system for the province.

The Council advises the Minister of Education and Culture on all matters related to Nova Scotia universities and their relationship to the government, society and the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission. In turn, the Council and its Chair represent the views of government to the universities.

As part of the new funding formula for Nova Scotia's universities, the Council has maintained the category of targeted funds. This pool of funds is intended to support innovative and cooperative initiatives on the part of the universities, and to create incentives to encourage implementation of clearly identified provincial and regional priorities. Through the targeted funds, the Council has increased its support of the Atlantic Centre of Support for Disabled Students at Saint Mary's University.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education
Trade Mart, 5th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 2086, Stn. M
Halifax, NS B3J 3B7
Telephone: 424-6992
Fax: 424-0651

Nova Scotia Provincial Library

The Nova Scotia Provincial Library system has 9 regional libraries with over 98 branch libraries and bookmobiles. Services specific to persons with disabilities include:

talking book service, large print collections, telephone access to services and access to services via the Internet, inter-library loan services, assistance in locating and selecting materials, remote access of the library catalog through the Internet and home delivery.

For further information, please contact:

Provincial Library
3770 Kempt Road
Halifax, NS B3K 4X8
Telephone: 424-2481
Fax: 424-0633
E-Mail: comptoca@gov.ns.ca

Open For Business

Open for Business is a place for young people, 30 and under, to discover and develop their entrepreneurial skills and to turn their good ideas into businesses. Staffed by Entrepreneurship Apprentices, Open for Business offers resources to help with every stage of creating a business. In addition to a regular series of workshops, Open for Business offers free internet access, computers with a full range of software, a library, and peer support in an informal, relaxed atmosphere.

The Open for Business operation is made possible by partnerships between the Nova Scotia Economic Development and Tourism, Human Resources Development Canada, and the Centre for Entrepreneurship, Education and Development.

For further information, please contact:

Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development
1521 Grafton Street
Halifax, NS B3J 3B9
Telephone: 424-3707
Fax: 424-0260
Toll Free: 1-800-590-8481
Website: http://www.ceed.ednet.ns.ca

Rehabilitation Training Section

The Rehabilitation Training Section administers a portion of the Employability Assistance Program for People with Disabilities (EAPD). (For a more detailed description of EAPD, please refer to Community Services). The Employability Assistance Program for People with Disabilities, through the Department of Education and Culture, in partnership with the Department of Community Services and

Department of Health, provides a comprehensive system of educational related equipment and services. Eligible goods and services include technical aids, tutors, interpreters, tuition, books and training allowances that could assist a person with a vocational handicap access post-secondary training.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Education and Culture
Rehabilitation Programs and Services
Trade Mart, 4th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-6737
Fax: 424-0666

Special Opportunities Grant for Persons with Disabilities

This program provides financial assistance to students with disabilities to help defray some of the additional costs of accessing post-secondary programs. The maximum allocation is $5,000 per student and eligible expenses include technical aids, interpreter services tutors, note takers, readers, etc.

To be eligible for the Special Opportunities Grant for Post-Secondary Students with Disabilities, a student must: be enroled in at least 40 percent of the full time course load, in a program of studies at a post-secondary institution designated for the purposes of the Canada Student Loans Program; be a resident of Nova Scotia and have financial need as determined by the needs assessment methodology of the Canada Student Loans Program; be enroled in a course of at least a 12 week duration, have a permanent disability and be able to provide proof of disability.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Education and Culture
Rehabilitation Support Services Section
Trade Mart, 4th Floor
2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-6737
Fax: 424-0666

Student Services Division

The Student Services Division is responsible for creating and developing a framework for student services for the province of Nova Scotia including setting the direction, establishing the vision, goals and action plans. This includes providing direction and leadership to school boards regarding implementation and evaluation of programs and services for students in the areas of special education, guidance, and counselling, English as a Second Language and multicultural education.

In addition, professional development programs for teachers and administrators from P-12 are designed and delivered by this division.

Professional Development:

Responsible for working with department and school board personnel to assist in the planning and implementation of professional development programs designed to support the introduction of new policies and programs in the public school system.

Guidance:

Responsible for the implementation of the Comprehensive Guidance and Counselling Program and other related programs in grades Primary to Twelve in the public schools.

English as a Second Language:

Provides consultation to school boards and their professional staff on the language and cultural needs of ESL learners through inservices, the development or resources and guides.

Multicultural/Equity Education:

Provides ongoing support to school boards through networking with the board's Race Relations Coordinators, consultation with professional staff of the Department and school board. As well, consultation and inservice work is undertaken with universities partner organizations, other government agencies and the general public, where appropriate.

Special Education:

Collaborates with school boards on the regional implementation of provincial policies and guidelines pertaining to students with special needs. Student Services Division works with school boards, agencies, parent groups, government departments and other stakeholders to provide for the educational, social, physical and emotional well-being of students with special needs in the public school system.

Technology Assessment Development Centre (TADC)

The Technology Assessment Development Centre is a unique centre, offering adaptive computer training to enhance the employability for persons with disabilities. Through classroom instruction, consultation and various extension services, TADC offers customized programs to meet the needs and goals of each individual.

For further information, please contact:

Technology Assessment Development Centre
2131 Gottingen Street, Suite 502
Halifax, NS B3K 5Z7
Telephone: 424-1890
Fax: 424-1898

HEALTH

Diabetic Assistance Program
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Mental Health Services - Bedford/Sackville
Mental Health Services - Halifax County East
Nova Scotia Advisory Commission on AIDS
Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program
Nova Scotia Environmental Health Clinic
Prosthetic Services
Public Health Services
QE II Health Sciences Centre - Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre
Telehealth

Diabetic Assistance Program

The Diabetic Assistance Program has been discontinued. New applicants are no longer accepted. Those persons in receipt of Diabetic Assistance at the time of discontinuance continue to receive the benefit as long as they remain eligible. No cash benefits are paid on this program.

Drug Dependency Services

Drug Dependency Services promotes the health of Nova Scotians by providing specialized prevention and treatment of addictions to individuals, families and communities.

Developed in response to community needs, Drug Dependency Services offers programs within each of the four Nova Scotia Health regions. Each Region has a dedicated team of specialized addiction professionals and paraprofessionals, as well as a community wide network of volunteers.

Drug Dependency provides prevention and community education programs throughout Nova Scotia. Prevention staff work, in cooperation with community agencies and volunteers, to provide effective community education programs. Drug Dependency Services responds to the educational needs of the community by providing a variety of programs to parents, teachers, students, professionals and the community. Whether it is through videos, discussion, presentation or workshops, up-to-date information is made available to all Nova Scotians.

Drug Dependency provides confidential treatment and rehabilitation services throughout the province. Drug Dependency staff are available in many of the communities and they are responsive to individual needs. Addictions affect everyone and Drug Dependency Services provides help, not only to the addicted person, but also to family, friends and employers. Treatment options range from education and counselling on an Outpatient basis, to Primary Care Inpatient Services (Detox) and Aftercare.

For more information on Drug Dependency Services contact:

Drug Dependency Services
Counselling & Community Support Services
1673 Bedford Row
Halifax, NS B3J 1T1
Telephone: 424-5920
TTY: 424-2017 (Answering machine will take calls 24 hours a day)
Fax: 424-4890

HIV Combination Therapy

The Nova Scotia Department of Health will fund AZT and/or 3TC, HIV therapy drugs as insurer of last resort. These drugs will be funded upon assessment and approval by the Infectious Diseases Clinic at the Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre. These drugs have now become the standard of care for treating HIV infection.

Combination therapy is the use of two or more drugs at one time. The most common drug combinations used to date in Nova Scotia have been AZT in combination with either ddC or ddi. 3TC is used in an attempt to avoid development of resistance to AZT in patients.

Funding of combination therapy with these drugs as insurer of last resort through government, will allow Nova Scotians with HIV infection and without private insurance or adequate finances, the option of using combination therapy. At the current time the Nova Scotia Department of Health does not provide funding for protease inhibitors.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Health
Joseph Howe Building
1690 Hollis Street
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Telephone: 424-5011

Home Care Nova Scotia

Home Care Nova Scotia delivers an array of services to Nova Scotians of all ages in order that they can achieve and maintain their maximum independence while living in their own homes and communities. There are currently two implemented categories of Home Care in Nova Scotia.

The Chronic Home Care category is for individuals who are convalescing, chronically ill, disabled or experiencing the debilities of old age. The Acute Home Care category is for individuals with acute episodic illnesses. Home Care Nova Scotia also provides access to physician services and coordinates access to other community based services if needed.

The objectives of the Home Care Nova Scotia program include:

- to provide efficient and effective access to information, to assessment services and referrals to community resources;
- to assist individuals in improving their level of functioning and in maintaining a maximum level of independence in their own homes;

- to support, not replace, family and informal caregivers by helping to sustain the individual's natural support system;
- to assist individuals to return home upon discharge from hospital;
- to assist hospitals in diverting unnecessary admissions to hospitals which can be safely, efficiently and effectively treated at home.

Eligibility Requirements: Clients must be residents of Nova Scotia and be eligible for a Nova Scotia Health Card. Individuals must be assessed as having unmet functional needs, due to illness or disability, that can be suitably, safely and effectively delivered by Home Care Nova Scotia.

Individuals interested in receiving Home Care Nova Scotia services may contact the toll free intake number, be referred for assessment in the hospital, or be referred for assessment from community sources.

Individuals requesting service are generally assessed, for eligibility and entitlement, at home or in the hospital by a Home Care Nova Scotia Care Coordinator.

For more information, please contact:

Department of Health
Joseph Howe Building
1690 Hollis Street, 11th Floor
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Toll-Free: 1-800-225-7225
Telephone: 424-4653
Fax: 424-0558

Home Care Nova Scotia - Home Oxygen Service

Home oxygen service funds the provision of a home oxygen concentrator and associated supplies to individuals with chronic hypoxemia in order that they may achieve more independent functioning in the home. The program is intended to assist individuals who are not able to acquire this equipment through their own resources.

People may be referred to the home oxygen service in a number of ways. Most often it will be through the family physician or other medical personnel. In all cases, medical eligibility for the service will be determined by a designated respirologist/ internist who will be responsible to write the medical orders for oxygen.

Home oxygen service is provided by one of the approved vendors on a roster of providers. When eligibility is established, Home Care Nova Scotia care coordinator authorizes services from the approved vendor chosen by the client.

Prospective candidates for home oxygen service must access private insurance or other publicly funded programs where available. Individuals determined to be eligible and in need of assistance with this service may be assessed a fee according to the Home Care Nova Scotia client fee determination process. Client fees are based on family size and family income.

For reasons of safety, you must be a non-smoker. A non-smoking agreement is to be completed for all clients.

Please call 1-800-225-7225 for more information.

Homes for Special Care

The Homes for Special Care Act licenses homes under two provincial ministries. The Department of Health is responsible for Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged. The Department of Community Services is responsible for Residential Care Facilities, Group Homes, Adult Residential Care Facilities, and Regional Rehabilitation Centres. Nova Scotians who require the services are eligible.

For further information, contact your nearest Department of Community Services and request to speak with a Placement Worker. (Please refer to Part Two of this directory to obtain a listing of Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged.)

Department of Health
1690 Hollis Street
Joseph Howe Building
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Telephone: 424-4476
Fax: 424-0558

IWK Grace Health Centre for Children, Women & Families

The IWK Grace Health Centre, in Halifax, Nova Scotia, provides family-centred care for children, women and families in the three Maritime provinces and beyond. Offering a broad range of health services, the IWK Grace is a tertiary health care centre dedicated to care, education and research.

Family-centred care recognizes and respects the family as an important part of the health care process. Care is based on partnerships with families, health care team members and the community throughout the Maritime provinces. The IWK Grace helps families make choices based on their own strengths and needs, and supports these choices. It is our responsibility to provide families with information to help them make decisions about the care that is best for them.

For further information, please contact:

IWK Grace Health Centre for Children, Women and Families
5850/5980 University Avenue
Halifax, NS

For further information, please contact:

Administrative Switchboard	428-8888
Patient Switchboard	420-0655
Poison Information Centre	428-8161
Emergency (Children) South Street Entrance	428-8050
Public Relations	420-6740
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services:	
Central Referral (for all Mental Health Referrals)	464-4110
IWK Grace Health Centre Foundation	428-8085
President and CEO	420-6629

Low Vision Clinic - Eye Care Centre

The purpose of the Low Vision Clinic is to see each patient as an individual, evaluate his/her visual function and to provide appropriate aids, whether optical or non-optical with instruction and follow-up. Through the clinic, patients are referred for other services; medical, ophthalmological, community rehabilitative and social services and/or agencies.

Low Vision Clinic aids are loaned to the individuals for one to two months. Follow-up calls are made after this time and if the individual decides to keep the aid, he/she will be billed at cost for the device.

The Low Vision Clinic accommodates any persons whose vision has decreased (to any level) in such a way that it interferes with their normal lifestyle.

Eligibility criteria are: referral by an Ophthalmologist.

For more information, please contact:

Eye Care Centre
2A Centennial Building
Victoria General Hospital Site
1278 Tower Road
Halifax, NS B3H 2Y9
Telephone: 473-3226
Fax: 473-3948

M.S.I.

Nova Scotia's Health Insurance Plans are designed to provide all eligible residents with a broad range of coverage for medically required hospital, medical, dental, optometric and pharmaceutical services.

The cost of providing these services to Nova Scotians is met from the general revenues of the Province. MSI Pharmacare have premium billing.

Requests for further information about Nova Scotia Health Services Insurance should be directed to the office of Maritime Medical Care Incorporated:

Street Address:

Medical Services Insurance
7 Spectacle Lake Drive
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X7
Telephone: 468-9700
Toll-Free: 1-800-563-8880
(in Nova Scotia)
Fax: 468-9402

Mailing Address:

Medical Services Insurance
P.O. Box 500
Halifax, NS B3J 2S1

MSI Pharmacare Program

Nova Scotia Seniors' Pharmacare Program:

The Nova Scotia Seniors' Pharmacare Program covers the cost of most prescription drugs. Supplies for ileostomy, colostomy, ureterostomy, and ostomy equipment are covered under this program. Seniors that this program must pay an annual premium of $215 plus a 20% co-pay per prescription.

Orthotics:

This program covers the cost of labour required for making orthotics at the NS Rehabilitation Centre. Beneficiaries are required to cover the cost of the material involved in the making of the orthotic, plus a 30% mark-up. Beneficiaries covered: All MSI insured residents of Nova Scotia referred to this program by a medical physician based on medical necessity.

Respiratory Equipment:

This program provides oxygen concentrators for all MSI insured residents of Nova Scotia who meet general and medical eligibility criteria who require long term oxygen therapy at home as prescribed by designated physicians.

Renal Dialysis Equipment:

The dialysis program, based at the QE II hospital provides renal dialysis equipment for home use. This equipment is installed in the home if there are no complicating factors that preclude home use. The equipment is supplied and installed by the QE II hospital and is then maintained by the. Beneficiaries covered: All MSI insured residents of Nova Scotia in need of this equipment. The equipment must be prescribed by a medical physician.

For further information, contact:

Nova Scotia Department of Health
Joseph Howe Building
1690 Hollis Street, 12th Floor
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Telephone: 424-5818
Fax: 424-0559

Mental Health Services - Bedford/Sackville

On February 6, 1996, the Nova Scotia Hospital opened offices to serve residents of the Bedford/Sackville and surrounding areas at 11 Glendale Avenue, Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia.

Services consist of a team of nurses, psychiatrists, social workers, an occupational therapist, and a psychologist who provide assessment, individual and group therapy, consultation and community education, in co-operation with other health care providers.

Mental Health Services - Bedford/Sackville
11 Glendale Avenue, Unit #5
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 3P2
Telephone: 865-3663
Fax: 865-2072

Mental Health Services - Halifax County East

Mental Health Services - Halifax County East is a community based program of the Nova Scotia Hospital. The main office is located in the Gordon Bell Building, Cole Harbour, with satellite offices located in Sheet Harbour, Musquodoboit Harbour and Middle Musquodoboit.

The team provides a range of mental health services for adults living in the many

communities of eastern Halifax County. These services include assessment, individual and group therapy, access to inpatient treatment, consultation, and community education.

The multi-disciplinary team includes a general practitioner, nurses, occupational therapists, psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers. Consultation services from a nutritionist, pastoral care worker, and pharmacist are also available.

Eligibility:

Persons with mental health issues from Cole Harbour, Eastern Passage and the Eastern Shore (as far as Ecum Secum).

Mental Health Services
Halifax County East
9 Taranaki Drive
Cole Harbour, NS B2W 4X3
Telephone: 434-3263
Fax: 434-0181

Nova Scotia Advisory Commission on AIDS

In 1988, the government of Nova Scotia introduced and passed legislation providing for the establishment of an Advisory Commission on AIDS, which is mandated to advise the government on issues relating to HIV/AIDS. The Commission is made up of a Chairperson and up to 13 members who possess a broad range of professional and personal backgrounds. The Commission is supported in its work by a Research Officer, a Secretary, and a limited budget.

Since beginning formal operations in January 1989, the Commission has advised and consulted with the Nova Scotia Department of Health, other government departments and AIDS-interest groups for the purpose of creating a policy climate through which all Nova Scotians can work together to prevent the transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and to care for persons affected by HIV disease.

Projects:

In addition to providing input to the Minister of Health about a variety of HIV-related issues, the Nova Scotia Advisory Commission on AIDS has initiated several projects since 1989, including:

- a public opinion poll to determine Nova Scotians' attitudes towards HIV;
- an extensive evaluation of the status of the recommendations made by the Nova Scotia Task Force on AIDS;

- an AIDS strategy for the Province of Nova Scotia, created with input from many representatives of government departments and AIDS service organizations;

- a survey of Nova Scotia School Boards to determine the quantity and quality of HIV/AIDS education being provided in Nova Scotia public schools;

- a review of the accessibility of community services to persons living with HIV/AIDS;

- maintenance of a library of HIV-related articles, books and resources. The library has provided assistance to many individuals from both the government and the community; and

- work in the area of public relation, in an attempt to make government departments and community organizations aware of the Commission and its mandate.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Advisory Commission on AIDS
6th Floor, Dennis Building
1740 Granville Street
Halifax, NS B3J 1X5
Telephone: 424-5730
Fax: 424-4727
E-mail: nsaca@ns.sympatico.ca

Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program

The Department of Health provides a screening clinic in the Halifax Shopping Centre and 2 Mobile Van Screening Clinics that serve Cape Breton Island and the upper half of Guysborough and Antigonish Counties, and the Western Health Regions.

Screening is a term used to describe tests or procedures done on healthy persons. Diagnostic tests are done on persons with signs or symptoms of an illness.

The screening program offers women up to date information on breast health, teaches women how to do a breast self-examination and profiles a clinical breast exam before the mammogram.

The clinics have morning, afternoon and evening appointments. The technologists who take the mammogram have all had specialized training in mammography.

Appointment times must be made prior to going to the clinic. This allows the clerical

staff to ask some brief questions regarding the patients health history, to make sure they fit the criteria to have a screening mammogram. To make an appointment, simply phone the Breast Screening Program. A file will be made for you when you register your name and Nova Scotia Health Card number with the screening. You do not need to have a doctor's referral to make an appointment; however, please provide the name and address of your family doctor so that we can forward information regarding your mammogram results.

The Breast Screening Program is specifically for women aged 50 to 69 years of age who have not had a mammogram in the past 12 months. Women between the ages of 40 and 49 will be accepted with a physician referral. If you currently have a breast lump or nipple discharge, have been diagnosed as having breast cancer, or have breast implants, you are advised to see your doctor who could set up an appointment for you at a Diagnostic Centre.

Nova Scotia Breast Screening Clinic
Halifax Shopping Centre
Tower 1, Suite 103
7001 Mumford Road
Halifax, NS B3L 4N9
Telephone: 473-3960
Toll-Free: 1-800-565-0548 (in Nova Scotia)
Fax: 473-3959
E-mail: nsbsp@istar.ca

Nova Scotia Environmental Health Clinic

The Department of Health, and Dalhousie University's Faculty of Medicine opened the Nova Scotia Environment Health Centre (NSEHC) in May 1997. Prior to this, the clinic operated on a part time basis since 1991. Referrals to the Centre come from family physicians, and medical specialists.

The new facility, located in Fall River, adds the discipline of research on environmental sensitivities to its mandate and addresses the issue of treatment in an environment specially designed, constructed and decorated.

Research design clinical trails to study the efficacy of several treatments. Key areas of research include:

- better description and diagnosis of environmental sensitivity
- tests to substantiate diagnosis
- treatment and therapies which look at a whole person health approach
- rehabilitation

The physicians determine an individualized program to help each patient achieve

maximum health. This includes educating patients about their sensitivities, nutrition, environmental exposures, as well as having them be actively involved in their own treatment. A multi disciplinary team encourages, supports, and facilitates partnerships within the NSEHC, community and outside agencies which will promote recovery and wellness for individuals with environmental sensitivity.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Centre:

E-Mail:	elizabeth.price@dal.ca	
Clinical:	Dr. Roy Fox, Director, NSEHC	(902) 860-0551
Research:	Dr. Michel Joffres	(902) 860-2108
Rehabilitation:	Susan J. Coldwell	(902) 860-3066
	E-Mail: susan.coldwel@dal.ca	

Fax: 860-2046

Prosthetic Services

Ocular Prosthesis:

This program was established to ensure that eligible residents of Nova Scotia have access to the services of a qualified Ocularist. This program provides eligible residents of the province of Nova scotia, who have lost one or both eyes, with access to services of a qualified Ocularist.

The services provided by this program are:

(a) Initial fitting and provision of artificial eyes or sclera coverings when prescribed by a qualified physician.

(b) Replacement and/or repair of the prosthesis on an as required basis in accordance with the restrictions specified below at sections seven (a) and (b).

(c) Any buildup, refitting, reveining, resurfacing and repolishing of the prosthesis required, as determined by a qualified Ocularist or the patient's family physician.

(a) "Eligible Resident" means a person who,

- is an insured person within the meaning of the Health Services and Insurance Act, RSNS, 1989, c.197 or any successor legislation thereto,
- who suffers from the absence of one or both eyes or gross scarring deformity of one or both eyes
- in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner requires the use of a Conventional Prosthetic Procedure and/or Component

(b) All residents of the province of Nova Scotia, who are eligible for MSI coverage, up to the month of their nineteenth birthday and those are 65 and over.

(c) All residents of the province of Nova Scotia, who are between the ages of 19 and 64, suffering from the same deformities listed at (a) above, provided they have been determined to be legally blind, and are registered with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

Arm and Leg Prostheses:

This program was established to ensure that eligible residents of Nova Scotia, who require a conventional limb prosthesis as a substitute for a partially or totally absent arm or leg, have accessibility to the services of a qualified Prosthetist.

The services provided by this program are:

(a) Initial fitting and provision of prosthetic devices when prescribed by a qualified physician.

(b) Replacement and/or repair of the prosthesis on an as required basis in accordance with the restrictions specified below at paragraph ten (10).

(c) Equipment covered:

- conventional upper and lower limb prosthesis,
- preparatory procedures
- preparatory and definitive socket replacements
- component replacements
- repairs, modifications and adjustments
- myoelectric prostheses are insured only up to the maximum tariff associated with standard prostheses.

(d) Equipment excluded:

- second prothesis for the same amputation (eg., backup prothesis)
- ancillary prothesis (eg., sports, recreation)
- purely cosmetic prothesis
- interface products
- limb prothesis funded by WCB or DVA or other third party payers.

"Eligible Resident" means a person who,

- is an insured person within the meaning of the Health Services and Insurance Act, RSNS, 1989, c.197 or any successor legislation thereto, and who meets the following criteria
- is missing part or all of one or more limbs

- in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner requires the use of a Conventional Limb Prosthetic Procedure and/or Component

Prothesis replacement will not be provided as an insured service more often than:

(a) Every four (4) years for adults who meet the eligibility requirements specified at paragraph seven (7). Prostheses are not automatically replaced when the normal replacement period has been reached. There must exist a proven need to replace the prosthesis, such as deterioration of the device.

(b) Every two (2) years for children up to the date of their 18th birthday, who meet the eligibility requirements at paragraph seven (7).

Mastectomy Prostheses:

This program was established to ensure that eligible residents of Nova Scotia, who have undergone a mastectomy/lumpectomy, are provided with financial assistance in accessing the services of a qualified supplier of mastectomy prothesis.

The services provided by this program are:

(a) Initial fitting and provision of appropriate mastectomy prosthetic devices on a bi-annual basis, when required by an eligible resident of Nova Scotia.

(b) Replacement and/or repair of the prosthesis on a bi-annual basis in accordance with the restrictions specified below.

(c) This program will provide financial assistance up to $150 per prosthesis on a bi-annual basis.

(c) In special circumstances up to $300.00 per prosthesis and up to $40.00 for the purchase of a supporting bra, may be paid by the MMC on behalf of the Department of Health. In those instances the provider is responsible to ensure that special approval has been received from the Canadian Cancer Society. This provision applies only to those eligible beneficiaries who are registered with the Canadian Cancer Society and who qualify under their income dependent assistance program.

"Eligible Resident" means a person who,

- is an insured person within the meaning of the Health Services and Insurance Act, RSNS, 1989, c.197 or any successor legislation thereto, and who meets the following criteria
- has undergone a mastectomy or lumpectomy
- in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner requires the use of a Conventional Mastectomy Prosthesis.

Exclusions: (applies to all programs listed above)

(a) Members of the Armed Forces, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or such others who are covered under other statues.

(b) Persons covered under WCB, DVA and persons covered by other government programs.

(c) Other persons not falling within the categories of entitled beneficiaries noted above, i.e., non resident of Nova Scotia or such others who do not qualify for health care coverage.

For further information, contact:

Nova Scotia Department of Health
Joseph Howe Building
1690 Hollis Street, 2nd Floor
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Telephone: 424-7401
Fax: 424-1740

Public Health Services

Public Health Services are provided by the four Health Regions in Nova Scotia, (Central, Western, Northern, Eastern). The Mission of Public Health Services is to "improve the population's health by working in partnerships with communities, families, and individuals to identify health needs and health potential; and by supporting collective and individual action to prevent illness, protect and promote health and achieve well-being."

The new vision for Public Health identifies and supports the concept of population health and the determinants of health. The proposed new Core Services are: Communicable Disease Prevention and Control, Non-Communicable Disease and Injury Prevention, and Health Enhancement. However, at the present time most Health Units are operating under three focus areas - Family Health, School Health, and Communicable Disease Control. Public Health Services uses a multidisciplinary approach to program delivery. Members of the Public Health Team include, but are not limited to: Medical Officer of Health, Public Health Nurses and LPN's, Public Health Nutritionists, Health Educators, Public Health Dental Hygienists, and Administrative support staff.

All programs have education as their primary emphasis. Some examples of the programs provided by Public Health Services are: Prenatal Education and Postpartum

Follow-up, Breastfeeding Support and Education, Enhanced Vision Screening, Hepatitis B Immunization, Communicable Disease Surveillance and Education, Fluoride Rinse, Healthy Foods at School, and Community Health Promotion Fund.

For more information please contact:

Public Health Services
Central Regional Office
201 Brownlow Ave., Unit 4
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1W2
Telephone: 424-5460

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre - Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre

The Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre - Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre is a provincial referral, teaching hospital which provides physical rehabilitation services to persons with physical and cognitive disabilities in Nova Scotia.

The Centre's primary function is to service persons who have serious disabilities and handicaps (e.g., due to stroke, spinal cord related injuries, head injuries, amputations, arthritis, and other neuromuscular and musculoskeletal disorders). The Centre also provides a facility for education and research in the field of physical rehabilitation.

Patients must be referred by a physician. Inpatient and outpatient services are provided.

For further information, please contact:

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre
Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre
1341 Summer Street
Halifax, NS B3H 4K4
Telephone: 473-1537
Fax: 473-1535

Telehealth

Following a successful telemedicine pilot project for rural Nova Scotia MD's in 1996, the Department of Health has established a province-wide telehealth network linking all 43 health care institutions in the province. This is a first-of-its kind in Canada.

Phase I saw all facilities in the Eastern Health Board Region linked in the Spring of 1998 with the capacity also to consult with the QE II, IWK-Grace, and Dalhousie

Medical School in Halifax. This "EASTNET" is already delivering programs including: teleradiology, continuing education for physicians and nurses and emergency consultations. In the near future, telepsychiatry and inter-facility administrative meetings will be held on this interactive personal computer based system.

Phase II will see "WESTNET" implemented in the Fall of 1998, linking all facilities in the Western Region. The winter of 1998-99 will see Phase III completed by including all facilities in the Northern and Central regions. When completed, any health care facility can consult with any other within the province on a secure, confidential network concerning the delivery of timely medical care.

The N.S. Telehealth Network is fully funded by the Department of Health and will cost upwards of $8M to complete. An Advisory Board consisting of various clinical stakeholders oversees the functioning of the network and its dedicated administrative staff.

This Network will improve access of rural Nova Scotians to specialist care, improve interactive medical/nursing education and thereby support health professionals throughout rural and small town Nova Scotia.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Health
Joseph Howe Building
1690 Hollis Street
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, NS B3J 2R8
Telephone: 424-5818
Fax: 424-0559

HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

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Access-A-Home Program

The Access-A-Home Program provides assistance to households who must adapt their homes for wheelchair use.

To qualify: you or a member of your family, must be a wheelchair user with a long term disability; your gross family income cannot exceed $30,000 a year; applicant must own and live in the home that is being adapted; eligible costs include materials, labour and related costs and taxes.

The amount of assistance that is available depends upon income. Annual incomes of $0 to $11,000 may be eligible to receive up to $3,000; $11,001 to $16,000 may be eligible to receive up to $2,500; $16,001 to $20,000 may be eligible to receive up to $1,500; and $20,001 to $30,000 may be eligible to receive up to $1,000. The grant does not have to be repaid.

Building Code Act

The administration of the Provincial Building Code is governed by the Nova Scotia Building Code Act. This Act, which provides uniform regulations, was proclaimed as law on April 1, 1987.

The Act and its subsequent Regulations attempt to ensure that the appropriate legislative and regulatory mechanisms are in place in order to guarantee that the law is enforced. The Regulations to the Building Code Act adopts the National Building Code of Canada as the Provincial Building Code and included in this Code is Section 3.8 "Barrier Free Design" provisions. The administration and enforcement of the Building Code Act is the responsibility of each municipality, who are required to provide the services of a Building Inspector to ensure that all new buildings and renovations comply to the provisions of the Code.

For more information, contact your local Municipal Building Inspector.

Family Modest Housing Program

The Family Modest Housing Program provides funds to lower and middle income families for the construction or purchase of modest housing or to renovate existing owner occupied units.

To qualify: total household income cannot exceed $50,000; an applicant cannot own a home at time of application; an applicant must be established a favourable credit history and the ability to repay the mortgage.

The maximum mortgage available is $70,000 and the mortgage interest rate will be

determined at time of approval.

Home Adaptations for Seniors' Independence Program

This program is to assist low income seniors who have difficulties with daily living activities in the home by providing financial assistance to homeowners and landlords to carry out minor home adaptations.

The assistance is in the form of a forgivable loan, the maximum amount available is $2,500.

Land Servicing/Lot Sales Program

The Land Servicing/Lot Sales Program is designed to provide serviced lots throughout Nova Scotia. These well planned subdivisions help to meet the housing needs of Nova Scotians.

To qualify: members of the public, builders, commercial and institutional developers are invited to take advantage of the program. The department has an extensive program of land acquisition and servicing, which creates subdivisions of various sizes. These subdivisions include single and multi-family housing, as well as commercial and institutional sites.

The lots are sold by the Department of Housing and Municipal Affairs.

Parent Apartment Program

This program creates affordable housing accommodation for senior family members by providing low interest loans for additions or renovations to a single family dwelling.

To qualify: you must own and occupy the home you wish to renovate and have a good credit rating; seniors must be 50 years of age or older with a combined income of $20,000 or less.

The maximum loan available is $25,000. The maximum repayment term is 10 years with the interest rate to be established at the time of approval.

Provincial Housing Emergency Repair Program (PHERP)

The Provincial Housing Emergency Repair Program provides assistance to low income households who cannot afford to carry out emergency repairs on their homes.

To qualify: you must own and live in the single family home you wish to renovate; gross family income must not exceed $14,000; repairs shall be related to the housing unit and shall be permanently installed. Primary consideration shall be given to repairs related to health and safety standards, i.e., wiring, roof, septic tanks, wells. Repairs for cosmetic purpose are not permitted.

A grant up to $2,500 is provided for labour and materials and taxes. The grant does not have to be repaid.

Public Non-Profit Housing - Senior Citizens and Families

This program is designed to provide adequate, affordable rental housing to senior citizens and families in need. This program is administered by the Nova Scotia Department of Housing and Municipal Affairs.

To qualify: if you are in need of affordable, adequate housing, contact your Regional Housing Authority. The Housing Authorities provide the daily management of public housing throughout Nova Scotia. The Housing Authorities select tenants based on a point system.

Special consideration will be given to individuals with special needs - such as physical disability; or those who are victims of family violence.[1]

Rent is based on your income. The units are self-contained and include a stove and refrigerator. Some units are designed for wheelchair users. Units are located throughout Nova Scotia.

Rent Supplement Program

The Rent Supplement Program is designed to assist persons in need of adequate, affordable rental housing. A rental subsidy is paid to private landlords, allowing individuals to pay rent based upon income. This program is funded by the Nova Scotia Department of Housing and Municipal Affairs and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

To qualify: tenants are selected by Regional Housing Authorities, based on a point scoring system; your income, family size, special needs and present accommodations are all taken into consideration.

You are charged rent based on your adjusted household income. The difference

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[1] The information provided herein is intended to briefly outline the Department of Housing and Municipal Affairs programs and may change from time to time. In case of conflict, the current approved policy of the department will apply.

between what you pay, and the market rent, is paid to your landlord by the federal and provincial government.

Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP) - Federal/Provincial

This program is to provide grants and loans to homeowners, landlords and disabled persons enabling them to carry out needed repairs to the residences.

Homeowner RRAP

Applicants may qualify if: they have a low income; their house is valued below a certain amount; their house is substandard and is crowded or needs major repairs. Depending on their income, up to $12,000 may be forgivable and not have to be paid back. The actual amount of forgivable assistance that applicants will receive is based on their household income, the cost of the modifications, and where they live. To be eligible for forgiveness, they will also have to agree to continue to own and occupy their home for up to five years.

Disabled RRAP

Applicants may qualify if: they are a landlord who rents units to low-income tenants; they own a home whose value is below a certain value and their total household income is below a certain value; they wish to modify their dwelling to make it livable for persons with disabilities. A full forgivable loan of up to $18,000 is available to cover the cost of eligible modifications on self-contained and rooming house units occupied or to be occupied by persons with disabilities. In the case of the self-contained units, the incomes of the tenants must be below level defined for the program. Landlords must enter into an agreement stating that the units will continue to be affordable to persons with disabilities whose incomes are at below established ceilings.

Senior Citizens Assistance Program

This program provides assistance to senior citizens wishing to continue to live in their own homes, but who cannot afford to have the necessary repairs or adaptations done.

To qualify: applicant or spouse must be 65 years of age or older; total gross household income must not exceed $20,000; you must own and occupy your home.

You may carry out repairs that threaten health or safety. Repairs to roofing, plumbing and heating are examples of work that is covered under the program. Repairs for cosmetic reasons are not permitted.

A grant to a maximum of $3,000 is available and does not have to be repaid. The amount of grant is to be determined as follows: Annual incomes up to $11,000 may be eligible to receive a grant of $3,000; annual incomes from $11,001 to %16,000 may be eligible to receive a grant of $2,500; and annual incomes from $16,001 to $20,000 may be eligible to receive a grant of $1,500.

Small Loans Assistance Program

This program improves housing conditions by providing low interest loans to qualified applicants.

To qualify: (a) applicants gross family income shall be $35,000 or less per years; (b) you must own and live in the home you wish to renovate; and, (c) you must have a good credit rating.

The repayment term of the loan is determined by the amount of the loan and the ability to repay. Loans up to $20,000 are available, with a maximum repayment term of 10 years. Loans up to $3,000 are secured by a promissory note. Loans over $3,000 are secured by a registered mortgage. Loans between $1,000 to $5,000 will have a repayment term of 5 years or less. Interest rates vary based on income.

Please refer to Part Two of this directory for a listing of Regional and Field offices, and Regional Housing Authorities in your area.

HUMAN RESOURCES

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Training and Employment Program for Persons with Disabilities
Workplace Diversity and Employment Equity Education Program

Diversity Management Initiative

The Province of Nova Scotia believes the civil service should reflect the diverse population it serves. Working towards a fair and balanced workplace, the government, through the Department of Human Resources, Diversity Management Unit, has implemented several policies, programs, and services to achieve this end.

These programs and services are based on the Affirmative Action Policy of the government to ensure all qualified individuals are equally considered for employment, secondment, promotional and development opportunities. The objective of the Affirmative Action Policy is to improve the representation of aboriginal persons, black persons and other racially visible persons, persons with disabilities, and women in all occupational groups and at all levels of the Nova Scotia Civil Service.

For more information please contact:

Diversity Management Unit
Client Services Division
Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street
One Government Place
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone: 424-2764/3277
Website: http:/www.gov.ns.ca/humr/
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0611

Employment Opportunity Bulletin

Employment opportunities with the Province of Nova Scotia are now published weekly on the Internet. To access the Employment Opportunities Bulletin listing, the job competitions in the provincial government, visit the Department of Human Resources home page at http://www.gov.ns.ca/humr/

For more information, contact:

Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street, One Government Place
P.O. Box 943
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone: 424-7660
Website: http:/www.gov.ns.ca/humr
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0611

Summer Employment Diversity Initiative Program

The Nova Scotia Department of Human Resources administers a Summer Employment Diversity Initiative Program to ensure equality of opportunity for summer employment. Students who fall within the designated groups of aboriginal students, black students, racially visible students, students with disabilities and female students pursuing non-traditional studies related to applied sciences, trades and technology careers are encouraged to apply for this program.

For more information please contact:

Diversity Management Unit
Client Services Division
Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street
One Government Place
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone:424-3277
Website: http:/www.gov.ns.ca/humr/
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0611

Summer Employment Mentorship Program for Female Students

The Mentorship Program offers female students the opportunity to gain valuable work experience for the future in non-traditional or occupations, where women are under-represented including management. Students have the opportunity to work closely with a female mentor who serves as an adviser and professional support to the student. The government of Nova Scotia recognizes that female student enrolment is on the rise in trades and technology, the applied sciences and other programs such as engineering, geology, forestry, and maintenance related. Through the mentorship program, government supports students in acquiring skills and gaining work experience in the provincial civil service.

For more information please contact:

Diversity Management Unit
Client Services Division
Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street, One Government Place
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone: 424-3277
Website: http:/www.gov.ns.ca/humr/
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0611

Training and Employment Program for Persons with Disabilities

The TEPD, in operation since 1987, provides generic job skills training in a group setting and offers assistance with job placement and career planning. The program matches applicants with various provincial government Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions in a variety of occupations located across Nova Scotia. Through the TEPD program, required support services will be developed or provided to participants for the 24-week work term period. Work placements are full-time with a training allowance.

For more information please contact:

Diversity Management Unit
Client Services Division
Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street, One Government Place
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone: 424-2764/3277
Website: http:/www.gov.ns.ca/humr/
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0611

Workplace Diversity and Employment Equity Education Program

This program is a two day educational session which addresses issues of racism, sexism, and other forms of discrimination. The program is designed to increase awareness and sensitivity to employment equity and diversity in the workforce.

For more information please contact:

Diversity and Employment Equity Office
Department of Human Resources
1700 Granville Street
One Government Place
Halifax, NS B3J 2V9
Telephone: 424-4073
TTY: 424-3966
Fax: 424-0695

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

The Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission is an independent government commission that is responsible for administering the Nova Scotia Human Rights Act. The Act prohibits discrimination based on: age, race, colour, religion, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, ethnic, national or aboriginal origin, family or marital status, irrational fear of catching a disease, source of income, political belief, affiliation or activity. Protection exists in the areas of: employment; accommodation (apartments, hotel, motel, etc.); services and facilities (service in stores and restaurants included here); the purchase or sale of property; membership in a professional association, business or trade association;, employers or employees organization; volunteer public services; and, publication, broadcast or advertisement. In addition, the Act prohibits sexual harassment in all areas of public life.

A person who believes he/she has experienced discrimination should contact the nearest human rights office by telephone to discuss the concern with a human rights officer. The officer can advise whether or not the concern falls within the jurisdiction of the province's Act. If a complaint if filed, a human rights officer will investigate.

All inquiries and discussions are confidential. Services of the Commission are provided free of charge.

For further information, contact the office nearest to you. Collect call are accepted:

Head Office
7th Floor, Lord Nelson Building
5675 Spring Garden Road
P.O. Box 2221
Halifax, NS B3J 3C4
Telephone: 424-4111
TTY: 424-3139
Fax: 424-0596

Western Regional Office
Basin Place
68 Water Street
P.O. Box 1029
Digby, NS B0V 1A0
Telephone: 245-4791
Fax: 245-7103

New Glasgow Office
2561 Westville Road
RR #3
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5C6
Telephone: 752-3086
Fax: 752-7239

Sydney Office
Provincial Building
360 Prince Street
Sydney, NS B1P 5L1
Telephone: 563-2140
Fax: 563-5613

JUSTICE

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Assistance for Disabled Persons in the Justice System

The Department of Justice has created a policy designed to guide criminal justice officials in the full and comprehensive investigation and prosecution of cases involving people with special communications needs. This policy addresses the needs of those individuals who, because of age, level of literacy, mental and physical disability are unable, without assistance, to have full access to the criminal justice system or to understand or be understood by officials of the justice system.

Family Court has provided sign language interpreters for the Deaf in court through the Society of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Nova Scotians. Costs for these services are covered by the provincial Department of Justice. Services in braille are also available upon request.

Most of the court facilities have become wheelchair accessible with plans to renovate current facilities over the next several years to include ramps. Any new construction of court facilities will require wheelchair accessibility.

For further information, please contact:

Department of Justice
4th Floor, 5151 Terminal Road
P.O. Box 7
Halifax, NS B3J 2L6
Telephone: 424-6811

Child Victim/Witness Program

The Child Victim/Witness Program provides court preparation services for child victim/witnesses. The program provides province-wide non-evidentiary court preparation to child/victim witnesses and their supportive adult.

For further information, contact the Regional Victims' Services Office in your area or:

Victims' Services Division
Head Office
Department of Justice
3rd Floor, 5151 Terminal Road
P.O. Box 7
Halifax, NS B3J 2L6
Telephone: 424-3309
Fax: 424-2056

Criminal Injuries Compensation

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Program provides compensation to victims of certain crimes occurring in Nova Scotia. The program covers certain direct expenses, such as medical expenses, resulting from the crime. Compensation is restricted to costs associated with personal injury only. Eligible crimes include physical assault, sexual assault and murder.

For further information, contact the Regional Victims' Services Office in your area or:

Victims' Services Division
Head Office
Department of Justice
3rd Floor, 5151 Terminal Road
P.O. Box 7
Halifax, NS B3J 2L6
Telephone: 424-4651
Fax: 424-2056
Toll Free: 1-888-470-0773

Peace Bonds

Obtaining a Peace Bond is a process whereby a person can contact the police, Provincial Courts clerk, or any Justice of the Peace in Nova Scotia and commence a private prosecution or charge against another person for assault, threats and spousal assaults.

For further information, contact the nearest Chief Clerk of the Provincial Court.

Provincial Victims' Services

Victims' Services provide assistance to victims of crime during criminal-justice proceedings. Services include general information on the criminal justice process, specific information on individual cases, court preparation, help with victim impact statements and criminal injuries compensation applications, liaison with police, Crown attorney and Correctional Service on behalf of the victim and emotional support during the process. All services outside the metro area can be accessed through toll-free numbers. For further information, contact the regional office serving your area (listed in the back section of this directory).

Small Claims Court

The Department of Justice, through this process, provides persons with a way to

make a civil claim through the courts for an amount up to $5,000.00, without the services of a lawyer.

The Small Claims Court provides a quick, informal and cheap method of deciding claims. The program excludes matters dealing with ownership of land, wills, landlord and tenant disputes or for malicious prosecution, false imprisonment or deformation.

The application fee is $50.00 and serving defendants - can e done by registered mail, bailiff service or personal service.

For further information, contact the nearest office of the Department of Justice in your area or:

Department of Justice
5250 Spring Garden Road
Halifax, NS B3J 1E7
Telephone: 424-8722
Fax: 424-0551

Survivors of Institutional Abuse

Survivors of institutional abuse, through their legal representatives, may make a claim for compensation and other benefits to the Province of Nova Scotia. Survivors whose claims are determined to be valid either through negotiation or file review shall be compensated for sexual and physical abuse perpetrated, condoned, or directed by employees of the Province during the time the survivors were residents in the institutions.

Compensation will be provided only for abuse by employees, and not for abuse of one resident by another.

Victims are advised that all statements provided for the purpose of compensation will be used for investigative purposes (whether criminal or disciplinary).

For further information, contact the Regional Victims' Services Office in your area or:

Compensation for Institutional Abuse Program
Department of Justice
1690 Hollis Street, 6th Floor
P.O. Box 2724
Halifax, NS B3J 3P7
Telephone: 424-8141
Fax: 424-0782

Victim Impact Statement

A Victim Impact Statement is an opportunity for an individual to tell the court, in their own words, how the crime has affected them. Statements may be completed by the direct victim of a criminal offence, or if the victim is incapable of making the statement, the spouse or a relative of the victim.

Statements should explain the physical, emotional, or financial harm suffered as a direct result of the crime.

The information in the Victim Impact Statement is used by the judge in determining an appropriate sentence for the offender. It may also be used by correctional authorities when considering the offender's application for release on parole.

For further information, contact the Regional Victims' Services Office in your area or:

Victims' Division
Head Office
Department of Justice
3rd Floor, 5151 Terminal Road
P.O. Box 7
Halifax, NS B3J 2L6
Telephone: 424-8785
Fax: 424-2056

Victim Support Services: Framework for Action Against Family Violence

In September, 1995, the Nova Scotia Government outlined a comprehensive strategy for improving the response of the justice system to family violence. The Framework for Action calls for a pro-arrest, pro-charge, pro-prosecution policy, training for justice workers; interagency coordination, accountability measures to ensure that the new Framework policies are being implemented; and enhanced services to victims.

The Family Violence Prevention Initiative and the Departments of Justice and Community Services consulted with interagency committees on family violence throughout the province. While all communities across the province provide some services to victims, the level of service varies widely and many communities identified serious gaps. As a result, as part of the Framework, government committed $500,000 over an 18 month period to enhance victim support services in local communities. The eight funded programs represent a number of different models of victim support; some are police-based, while others are transition house-based; some provide crisis intervention services, while others offer advocacy and long-term support. The services offered reflect the needs identified by the communities serviced

by these programs. The project funding has been extended to March 31, 1999 on a cost-shared basis between the Departments of Justice and Community Services. The projects currently in place are:

Advocacy for Abused Women (sponsored by Tearmann House)
Advocacy Network for Annapolis Abused Women (sponsored by Chrysalis House Association)
Cape Breton Family Violence Intervention Project (sponsored by Cape Breton Interagency)
Family Violence Crisis Intervention Project (sponsored by RCMP - Barrington)
Family Violence Crisis Intervention Project (sponsored by RCMP - Bible Hill)
Family Violence Crisis Intervention Program (sponsored by Lunenburg/Queens Interagency)
Family Violence Victim Support Program (sponsored by Cumberland Interagency Committee)
Women's Justice Outreach Program (sponsored by Bryony House)

NATURAL RESOURCES

Fishing Licenses
Provincial Park Facilities
Weapons Discharge Permit

Fishing Licenses

Persons with disabilities may acquire general sport fishing licences free of charge. Please note that salmon fishing is regulated by the federal government, which requires all citizens to purchase licenses for this sport.

For further information contact the nearest office of the Department of Natural Resources, or:

Head Office
P.O. Box 698
Halifax, NS B3J 2T9
Telephone: 424-6608
Fax: 424-0729

Provincial Park Facilities

In recognition of the access needs of persons with disabilities, Nova Scotia has initiated a program of improving access to, and facilities within, the province's provincial parks so that all visitors may better enjoy these natural treasures.

A major project has been completed at Lewis Lake Provincial Park with numerous facilities developed specifically for users with disabilities. This includes fishing piers, walkways, group and individual picnic sites.

All new parks constructed since 1981 have some accessible facilities, with improvements having been undertaken in many existing parks. This is an ongoing program and currently 57 parks are equipped. The improvements take the form of accessible toilet buildings, boardwalks, picnic tables, and campsites. (A listing of parks and facilities can be found in the back section of this directory).

For further information, contact:

Department of Natural Resources
Parks and Recreation Division
R.R. #1
Belmont, NS B0M 1C0
Telephone: 662-3030

Weapons Discharge Permit for Disabled Persons (Deer Hunting Licence)

A Weapons Discharge Permit enables persons with disabilities to hunt wildlife during the open season from a vehicle.

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A Weapons Discharge Permit enables persons with disabilities to hunt wildlife during the open season from a vehicle.

In order to obtain a Weapons Discharge Permit, a person must be permanently unable to walk and, if deemed necessary, the Department may require an applicant to produce a medical certificate to this effect.

The holder of a Weapons Discharge Permit is required to obtain a hunting licence before hunting and comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the hunting or taking of wildlife.

For further information contact:

Head Office
P.O. Box 698
Halifax, NS B3J 2T9
Telephone: 424-6608
Fax: 424-0729

NOVA SCOTIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Community Economic Development Certificate Program
Deaf Academic Upgrading/Employment Skills Training Program
Sign Language Interpreter Training Program

The Nova Scotia Community College is a post-secondary institution committed to serving the needs of students by offering training, education, and the opportunity for lifelong learning. With excellence as an objective, the College prepares students to meet the requirements of the community, business, industry, and government. The College is a pro-active institution which takes a major training role in response to the economic development strategies of the Province within a Canadian and global economy.

Goals:

1. To offer training and education for entry level employment, and retraining at the trades, technician, and technologist levels, to business, industrial, service, and professional occupations.

2. To provide opportunity for lifelong learning in:

   a) apprenticeship training
   b) skill and technology upgrading and updating
   c) academic upgrading
   d) recreational and cultural programs

3. To involve students in co-op education and on-the-job training

4. To provide customized training programs for businesses, industries, and government agencies.

5. To promote and participate in international education and training.

Objectives:

1. To deliver programs that produce employable individuals who are highly skilled, knowledgeable, and competitive in occupational areas, and possess good interpersonal skills, global awareness and an appreciation for excellence.

2. To develop training programs to serve students in response to the requirements of the community, business, industry and government.

3. To ensure that all students have access to College programs, by offering educational upgrading at all campuses.

4. To develop a close liaison with the community to facilitate customized training, on-the-job training, and cooperative programs.

5. To maintain a collaborative relationship with other post-secondary educational institutions to offer students lifelong learning opportunities.

6. To offer the expertise of the College as a resource to the community.

7. To ensure that the College's faculty, its primary resource, remains current through ongoing professional development.

For further information on any of the Community College programs or services, please contact: 491-NSCC (491-6722).

Community Economic Development Certificate Program

Community Economic Development (CED) organizations, government department staff and community boards will determine the tools needed to take control of the future of their communities through participation in a new Community Economic Development (CED) certification program developed at the Nova Scotia Community College, Truro Campus.

For further information, please contact:

Community Economic Development Centre
Nova Scotia Community College, Truro Campus
36 Arthur Street
Truro, NS B2N 1X5
Telephone: 893-5343
Fax: 893-5390

Deaf Academic Upgrading/Employment Skills

The program is for Deaf Adults who use American Sign Language, and are desiring to improve their education for better employment opportunities.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Community College, Halifax Campus
1825 Bell Road
Halifax, NS B3H 2Z4
Telephone: 491-4636 (Voice and TTY)
491-4623 (TTY)
Fax: 491-4711
E-Mail: oenone@halifax.nscc.ns.ca
macdonej@halifax.nscc.ns.ca

Sign Language Interpreter Training Program

This program is a four semester training program to facilitate the education of sign language interpreters. The program concentrates on ASL.

For further information regarding this program, please contact:

Nova Scotia Community College - Halifax Campus
1825 Bell Road
Halifax, NS B3H 2Z4
Telephone: 491-4636
Fax: 491-4711

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

The Ombudsman is empowered by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia to hear and, where necessary, investigate complaints against the Provincial and Municipal governments or their Boards, Agencies or Commissions. Wherever possible, the Ombudsman will use the Office's investigatory powers to correct grievances.

If an individual believes that they have been treated unjustly by the Provincial or Municipal governments within the Province of Nova Scotia, an appeal may be made to the Ombudsman.

For further information, contact:

Office of the Ombudsman
5675 Spring Garden Road, Suite 300
Lord Nelson Arcade
P.O. Box 2152
Halifax, NS B3J 3B7
Telephone: 424-6780
Toll Free: 1-800-670-1111 (in Nova Scotia)
Fax: 424-6675

SENIOR CITIZENS SECRETARIAT

Legislation was introduced at the 1980 Session of the Nova Scotia Legislature which provided for the establishment of the Secretariat. The Act designated the Ministers of Social Services, Health, Municipal Affairs, and the Minister charged with the Administration of the Housing Act as constituting the Secretariat, with the Governor-in-Council having the authority to add other persons. The Ministers of Education, Culture, Recreation and Fitness were added on August 17, 1982.

The mandate of the Secretariat is to facilitate the planning and development of services and programs for seniors by coordinating plans, policies and programs presented by the departments of the provincial government, and by developing plans, policies and programs for and with seniors in partnership with the responsible departments of government and other provincial bodies and voluntary senior's groups.

The office of the Secretariat is locate at:

4th Floor, Dennis Building
1740 Granville Street
P.O. Box 2065
Halifax, NS B3J 2Z1
Telephone: 424-0065
Toll-Free in Nova Scotia: 1-800-670-0065
Fax: 424-0561

SPORT AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Competitive Sporting Opportunities
Recreation Facility Development Program
Vision of Full Participation

Competitive Sporting Opportunities

Some sport groups involve one specific disability in a variety of sports, while others offer one sport to people with different disabilities. All of these groups are interested in including new participants in their sport programs.

For current addresses, phone numbers and further information of the following organizations, contact Recreation Nova Scotia at 425-1128.

- Special Olympics
- Canadian Wheelchair Sports Association, Nova Scotia Branch
- Blind Sports Nova Scotia
- Canadian Amputee Sport Association - Nova Scotia
- Nova Scotia Deaf Sports Association
- Canadian Association of Disabled Skiing - Nova Scotia
- Nova Scotia Riding for the Disabled Association
- Red Cross Adaptive Aquatics
- Cerebral Palsy Sports

For further information on sports for persons with a disability, please contact:

Sport Nova Scotia
5516 Spring Garden Road
P.O. Box 3010 South
Halifax, NS B3J 3G6
Telephone: 425-5450

Recreation Facility Development Program

The Recreation Facility Development Program is a capital grant to assist municipalities and community groups in the planning, construction, renovation or acquisition of facilities for public recreation purposes.

Among the types of projects which are generally eligible for assistance are community centres, pools, sport facilities, parks, playgrounds, trails and other outdoor recreation facilities. The program provides capital assistance and planning for recreation facility development excluding the purchase of land for future development.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission
5516 Spring Garden Road, P.O. Box 864
Halifax, NS B3J 2V2
Telephone: 424-7621
Fax: 424-0520

Vision of Full Participation

The Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission has developed policies which aim to encourage people with disabilities to participate more extensively in sport and recreation activities. The policies also work to encourage those who provide recreation programs to make them more accessible in every way to clients with disabilities.

The Sport and Recreation Commission envisions that increased opportunities for sport and recreation for people with disabilities will positively influence many factors;

- Informed and confident people with disabilities will choose to participate in community activities on the same basis as anyone else. People with disabilities will make informed choices about both structured and non-structured leisure activities and will have access to the necessary supports in order to participate in regular community leisure and recreational programs and activities.

- Training for all recreation leaders, professional and volunteer, will include awareness of why and how to eliminate barriers to participation and promote the inclusion of people with disabilities. Leaders will have confidence in their ability to respond to all people in the community.

- Sport and recreation organizations at the community level will have a willingness to reach out, include and support the participation of people with disabilities in their programs.

- Professionals in residential, vocational, educational, health and community service organizations will understand and support participation in recreational activities.

- Facilities providing sport and recreational opportunities will be barrier free.

- Municipalities and provincial sport and recreation organizations will have a clear definition of roles and responsibilities to ensure opportunities for all citizens.

Policies

In order to work toward realizing a Vision of Full Participation the Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission has adopted a series of policies for implementation. Many of these policies are already being practised by Commission staff and are inherent in Commission programs.

Training or Service Providers

The Commission will promote and support programs and resources for volunteer and professional leaders addressing sport and recreation needs of people who have a

disability.

Access to Facilities

The Recreation Facility Development Program of capital grants will require that new facility construction include a minimum of wheelchair access to all program and public areas of a new facility.

Sport and Recreation Commission hosted activities shall take place in wheelchair accessible facilities. Upon request, the Sport and Recreation Commission will provide additional supports as required (eg. looping, interpreters, transcription, attendant care).

Activities supported by the Sport and Recreation Commission will be encouraged to take place in wheelchair accessible facilities and to provide supports as required.

Roles Within The Delivery System

The Sport and Recreation Commission will identify and communicate the roles of the partners within the sport and recreation delivery system in meeting the needs of people who have a disability. The Sport and Recreation Commission recognizes the Recreation Nova Scotia as an important partner in providing resources in leadership development, consultation, research and communication. The Commission also recognizes that effective partnerships with many provincial, municipal and community based organizations will result in a realization of the ultimate goal of full participation.

Transportation

The Sport and Recreation Commission will encourage sport and recreation program providers to consider transportation needs of persons with disabilities when planning programs and services.

The Sport and Recreation Commission will promote the need for transportation for people with a disability to provincial government departments and agencies.

Transportation for people with disabilities will be an eligible cost under Sport and Recreation Commission financial assistance programs.

Social Support

The Sport and Recreation Commission will initiate discussions with the Department of Community Services to promote recreation as an essential aspect of their clients' daily lives.

The Sport and Recreation Commission will cooperate with other government departments and agencies to promote sport and recreation opportunities for people with disabilities.

The Sport and Recreation Commission will encourage municipal recreation departments to cooperate with community service agencies in meeting the sport and recreation needs of people with disabilities.

Funding

The Sport and Recreation Commission will use existing financial assistance programs as a method of helping provincial, municipal, sport, recreation and community groups to develop programs and services for people with disabilities.

The development of recreation services that will increase the participation of people with disabilities will be considered a priority when reviewing applications for financial assistance.

Awareness of Recreation Opportunities

The Sport and Recreation Commission will promote and support initiatives to encourage people with a disability to participate in community sport and recreation opportunities.

For further information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission
5516 Spring Garden Road
P.O. Box 864
Halifax, NS B3J 2V2
Telephone: 424-7512

TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE SECRETARIAT

The Technology and Science Secretariat aims to optimize government's investment in leading-edge technology, to encourage social and economic growth through technological and scientific innovation and to strengthen government's relationships with the private sector, universities, and other research facilities through joint development initiatives.

For further information please contact:

Technology and Science Secretariat
14th Floor, Maritime Centre
P.O. Box 2311
Halifax, NS B3J 3C8
Telephone: 424-0377
Web Site: http://www.gov.ns.ca/tss
Fax: 424-0129

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

"Deaf Child" and "Blind Child" Signs
Official Accessible Parking Signs

"Deaf Child" and "Blind Child" Signs

"Deaf Child" and "Blind Child" Signs are provided by the Department of Transportation and Public Works. These warning signs are intended to advise motorists of the presence of a private residence or institution that houses a child or children who are Deaf or blind to the degree that they cannot exercise due care for their well being while present on the street or highway.

The costs of erection, maintenance and removal of these warning signs are the responsibility of the Department of Transportation and Public Works.

For additional information please contact:

Department of Transportation and Public Works
1969 Upper Water Street
Purdy's Tower 2, Suite 506
P.O. Box 186
Halifax, NS B3J 2N2
Telephone: 424-3270

Official Accessible Parking Signs

The Province of Nova Scotia has designed an official highway sign to designate Accessible Parking spaces. Parking spaces which are identified by this sign may be located on public or private parking areas. Persons with disabilities may legally park in these designated spaces if they display either the "Handicapped Parking Number Plate" or the "Handicapped Identification Permit", on their vehicle. (See Department of Business and Consumer Services concerning these permits.)

Anyone wishing to purchase Accessible Parking signs, in order to provide designated parking for persons with disabilities, must utilize the official Accessible Parking Symbol. The appropriate sign may be ordered through local sign shops using catalogue number RB-52B.

For further information, contact the nearest office of the Transportation and Public Works or your local municipal office, or:

Transportation and Public Works
P.O. Box 186
Halifax, NS B3J 2N2
Telephone: 424-5837

WORKERS COMPENSATION BOARD

Employment Incentives Program
On the Job Training

The Workers' Compensation Board administers the Workers' Compensation Act, and co-ordinates the efforts of all partners in the workers' compensation system, which includes injured workers, employers, the health-care community, service providers, workers' advisers, the workers' Compensation Appeals Tribunal, government, schools, and anyone involved in injury and disease prevention.

The Workers' Compensation Act is designed to protect both injured workers and employers by providing financial assistance, medical aid, re-employment, vocational rehabilitation and protection from litigation.

Vocational rehabilitation at the WCB includes a wide range of benefits and services, depending on the type of injury and the degree of impairment. The following initiatives are only a few ways the WCB works to return injured workers to the workforce.

Employer Incentive Program

The Employer Incentive Program offers technical and financial incentives to employers. EIP gives injured workers the opportunity to make a productive contribution to their lives, their families and their province.

Workers and employers are governed by the personalized EIP contract which is designed by the worker, the employer and the workers' vocational rehabilitation counsellor. The contract specifies the length of the contract, the amount and payment period of any wage assistance and the costs the WCB covers for any specialized equipment or workplace modifications needed to accommodate the injured worker.

Wage assistance is a forgivable loan, paid in decreasing amounts, over a pre-approved employment period. It is offered to employers who are reasonably certain their worker's full-time employment will continue beyond the EIP contract period.

On the Job Training

The On-the-Job Training Program helps train a worker now for mutual benefits in the future.

OJT provides the injured worker with new skills as outlined in their vocational rehabilitation plan. It offers employers help at not cost and with no obligation for permanent employment. OJT also provides technological support or adaptive devices during the worker's training period. As a result, employers get a trained worker who is familiar with the business, the operations and the customers at the end of the training period. It is a risk-free investment in the future of the employer's company.

For further information on EIP or OJT, please contact:

Co-ordinator of Employment Market Services:
491-8357 (Halifax local) and 1-800-870-3331 (Toll free)

For further information on WCB benefits and services, please contact:

The Workers' Compensation Board
491-8999 (Halifax local) and 1-800-879-3331 (Toll free in mainland NS)
563-2444 (Sydney local) and 1-800-880-0003 (Toll free in Cape Breton)

YOUTH SECRETARIAT

The Nova Scotia Youth Secretariat was created in June 1990 to provide a focal point for the development of effective responses by government to the needs and aspirations of the province's youth. The Youth Secretariat Act, which provides the Secretariat with legal status, recognizes that the diverse needs of Nova Scotians between 15 and 24 years of age, touch the mandates of a number of government departments.

Concerns of this age group relate to education, family life, employment, sexuality, health, leisure opportunities, financial security and the transition from youth to adulthood.

The overall function for the Youth Secretariat has been described as:

> Responsible for ensuring that the Nova Scotia Government is aware of and responsive to the needs, concerns and aspirations of the province's youth and youth-serving organizations. The six core functions of the Nova Scotia Youth Secretariat are organized in two categories - internal and external.

The internal core functions are to: increase awareness of the needs of youth, review program effectiveness, and promote interdepartmental coordination.

The external core functions are to: encourage youth-serving organizations, act as an information resource for programs/services, and promote effective communication between government and youth.

One method used by the Secretariat to carry out the third external function has been the establishment of a Youth Advisory Council.

For additional information, please contact:

Nova Scotia Youth Secretariat
Trade Mart Building
4th Floor, 2021 Brunswick Street
P.O. Box 578
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9
Telephone: 424-3780
Fax: 424-0717
E-mail: gilberrf@gov.ns.ca

PART TWO

The Disabled Persons Commission wishes to encourage you to assist with any updated information which you feel would be of importance to this publication. If you, or any organization, group, or department wishes to inform the Commission of any changes, additions, or deletions, please complete the following information form and mail or fax to the Commission office at the following address or fax number:

Disabled Persons Commission
5675 Spring Garden Road
P. O. Box 222
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3J 2M4

FAX: (902) 424-0592

ADDRESS UPDATE INFORMATION:

1) Organization Name: _____

2) Address: _____

_____

3) Postal Code: _____

4) Phone Number: (902) _____

5) Fax Number: _____

6) TTY number: _____

7) E-Mail address: _____

Thank you for your assistance.

Canada Pension Plan

Toll Free: 1-800-277-9914

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Abilities Foundation
3670 Kempt Road
Halifax, NS B3K 4X8
Phone: 453-6000
Fax: 454-6121
E-Mail: abfound@ns.sympatico.ca

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities
12 Bellevista Drive
Dartmouth, NS B2W 2X3
Phone: 462-5649
E-Mail: marneyk@region.halifax.ns.ca

Affirmative Industries Association of Nova Scotia
P.O. Box 1004
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3Z9
Phone: 464-3078
Fax: 464-3236

AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia
5675 Spring Garden Rd., Suite 600
Halifax, NS B3J 1H1
Phone: 425-4882/429-7922
Fax: 422-6200
Toll Free: 1-800-566-2437
E-Mail: acns@kayhay.com

Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia
5954 Spring Garden Road
Halifax, NS B3H 1Y7
Phone: 422-7961
Fax: 422-7971
E-Mail: alzheime@ns.sympatico.ca
Toll Free: 1-800-611-6345

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of Nova Scotia
Regional Office
7071 Bayers Road, Suite 318
Halifax, NS B3L 2C2
Phone: 454-3636
Fax: 453-3646
E-Mail: als.society@ns.sympatico.ca

Antigonish-Guysborough Persons with Disabilities Coalition
PO Box 1401
Antigonish, NS B2G 2L7
Phone: 863-0487
Fax: 863-8244

APSEA Parents Association for the Hearing Impaired
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Progress Centre for Early Intervention
5739 Inglis Street
Halifax, NS B3H 1K5
Phone: 423-2686/425-7393

Queens Early Childhood Development Association
P.O. Box 1689
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-5890

Sackville-Bedford Early Intervention Program
P.O. Box 617
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 3J1
Phone: 864-5251

Shelburne County Early Childhood Development Association
P.O. Box 9
Shelburne, NS B0T 1W0
Phone: 875-4067

Town Day Care Centre Mainstream Program
117 West Avenue
Glace Bay, NS B1A 5P2
Phone: 849-3429

Valley Child Development Association
P.O. Box 63
Kentville, NS B4N 3V9
Phone: 678-6111

EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTRES

Annapolis Royal
(Middleton, Bridgetown, Annapolis County)
Department of Community Services
Municipality of Annapolis County
P.O. Box 70
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-7584
Fax: 532-3401

Antigonish
(Antigonish County, Town of Antigonish)
Department of Community Services
Federal Building
325 Main Street, 2nd Floor
Antigonish, NS B2G 2C3
Phone: 863-3213
Fax: 863-7053

Barrington
(Shelburne County, Shelburne 875-2594)
Department of Community Services
Shelburne District Office
P.O. Box 9
Barrington, NS B0W 1E0
Phone: 637-2335
Fax: 637-2137

Bridgewater
(Lunenburg Co., Lunenburg, Chester, Mahone Bay)
Department of Community Services
99 High Street, Suite 105
Bridgewater, NS B4V 1V8
Phone: 543-5527 Ext. 2224
Fax: 543-6186

Cape Breton Regional Municipality
(Sydney, North Sydney, Sydney Mines, New Waterford, Louisbourg, Glace Bay, Dominion)
North Sydney Office
265 Commercial Street
North Sydney, NS B2A 1B9
Phone: 794-5110
Fax: 794-5171

Glace Bay Office
Senator's Place
633 Main Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 6J3
Phone: 842-4000
Fax: 842-4091/4067

Sydney Office
Suite 7, Provincial Building
360 Prince Street
Sydney, NS B1P 5L1
Phone: 563-3300
Fax: 563-0516

Victoria County
Municipality of the County of Victoria
P.O. Box 29
Baddeck, NS B0E 1B0
Phone: 295-3815
Fax: 295-3820

Port Hawkesbury
(Inverness County, Richmond County, Town of Port Hawkesbury)
Port Hawkesbury
Children's Aid Society
Inverness-Richmond
P.O. Box 359
Port Hawkesbury, NS B0E 2V0
Phone: 625-2450
Fax: 625-4021

Cumberland County
(Cumberland County, Amherst, Springhill)
Cumberland Employment Support
Municipality of Cumberland County
P.O. Box 399
Amherst, NS B4H 2Z5
Phone: 597-3887
Fax: 597-3637

Digby County
(Bear River, Freeport, Weymouth, The Islands)
Digby Employment Support
P.O. Box 399
Digby, NS B0V 1A0
Phone: 245-5811
Fax: 245-6525

Guysborough
Department of Community Services
Guysborough Office
P.O. Box 90
Guysborough, NS B0H 1N0
Phone: 533-4007
Fax: 533-3822

Halifax
Employment Support
Department of Community Services
2131 Gottingen Street
P.O. Box 2614
Halifax, NS B3J 3N5
Phone: 424-1960
Fax: 424-7714

Halifax
Employment Support
Department of Community Services
P.O. Box 2400, DEPS
114 Woodlawn Road
Dartmouth, NS B2W 2S8
Phone: 424-6200
Fax: 424-6645

Halifax
Employment Support
Cole Harbour Place
51 Forest Hills Parkway, Box 1
Dartmouth, NS B2W 6C6
Phone: 435-7472
Fax: 462-5527

Halifax
Employment Support
Sheet Harbour Office
P.O. Box 52
Sheet Harbour, NS B0J 3B0
Phone: 885-3000
Fax: 885-3497

Halifax
Employment Support
Sackville District Office
Cobequid Multi-Service Centre
70 Memory Lane
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2J3
Phone: 869-3600
Fax: 869-3666

Halifax
Employment Support
Lakeside District Office
P.O. Box 190
1492 St. Margarets Bay Road
Lakeside, NS B0J 1Z0
Phone: 876-0580
Fax: 424-8111

Hants County
(West Hants, East Hants, Windsor)
(Elmsdale)
Department of Community Services
P.O. Box 2350
176 Water Street
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-1819
Fax: 798-1874

Kentville
(Berwick, Wolfville, Kings County)
Employment Support Services
87½ Cornwallis Street
Kentville, NS B4N 2E5
Phone: 690-6186
Fax: 678-4602

Mulgrave/Canso
Department of Community Services
Mulgrave Office
P.O. Box 99
Mulgrave, NS B0E 2G0
Phone: 747-3380 (Mulgrave)
366-2525 (Canso)
Fax: 747-3484

New Glasgow
(Pictou, Trenton, Stellarton, Westville,
New Glasgow)
Pictou County Employment Support
7 Campbell's Lane
P.O. Box 488
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5E5
Phone: 396-1166
Fax: 396-1600

Queens
(Queens County)
Employment Support
Box 1360
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-2771
Fax: 354-7460

Truro
(Town of Truro)
Truro Employment Support
60 Lorne Street
P.O. Box 950
Truro, NS B2N 5G7
Phone: 893-6171
Fax: 893-6109

Yarmouth County
(Municipality of Argyle, Town of Yarmouth)
Yarmouth Employment Support
10 Starrs Road
Yarmouth, NS B4A 2T1
Phone: 742-0034
Fax: 742-7874

FAMILY DAY CARE PROGRAMS

Colchester Community Day Care
Willow Street School
60 Lorne Street
Truro, NS B2N 3K3
Phone: 895-1317

Family Home Child Care of Pictou County
175 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3B2
Phone: 928-2211

La Garderie Familiale de Clare
Church Point
Digby Co., NS B0W 1M0
Phone: 769-3876

Mi'kmaq Child Developmental Centre Home Child Program
2161 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3B5
Phone: 422-7880

Sackville Family Day Care
Cobequid Multi-Service Centre
70 Memory Lane
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2J3
Phone: 865-8982

Wolfville Children's Centre
35 Westwood Avenue
P.O. Box 1232
Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0
Phone: 542-5087

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County
P.O. Box 9
Barrington, NS B0W 1E0
Phone: 637-2337
Fax: 637-2137

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton
633 Main Street, Senator's Place
Glace Bay, NS B1A 3X6
Phone: 842-4010
Fax: 842-4091

Children's Aid Society of Halifax
5244 South Street
Halifax, NS B3J 1A4
Phone: 425-5420
Fax: 422-9424

Children's Aid Society of Pictou County
P.O. Box 488, 7 Campbell's Lane
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5E5
Phone: 755-5950
Fax: 755-3631

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton
265 Commercial Street
North Sydney, NS B2A 1B9
Phone: 794-5100
Fax: 794-5191

Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond
P.O. Box 359
Port Hawkesbury, NS B0E 2V0
Phone: 625-0660
Fax: 625-4021

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton
Provincial Building
360 Prince Street, Suite 7
Sydney, NS B1P 5L1
Phone: 563-3400

Children's Aid Society & Family Services of Colchester County
60 Lorne Street
Truro, NS B2N 3K3
Phone: 893-5950
Fax: 893-5609

Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County
P.O. Box 399, 24 Crescent Avenue
Amherst, NS B4H 3Z3
Phone: 667-3336
Fax: 667-1594

Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County
P.O. Box 39, Municipal Building
St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-2337
Fax: 532-5858

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County
Suite 105, Provincial Building
99 High Street
Bridgewater, NS B4V 1V8
Phone: 543-2411/543-2412
Fax: 543-6186

Family and Children's Services of Kings County
76 River Street
Kentville, NS B4N 1G9
Phone: 678-6176
Fax: 679-0522

Family and Children's Services of Queens County
P.O. Box 1360, 22 Henry Hensey St.
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-2771
Fax: 354-7460

Family and Children's Services of Hants County
Box 99, 1469 King Street
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-2289
Fax: 798-3669

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County
10 Starrs Road
Yarmouth, NS B5A 2T1
Phone: 742-0700
Fax: 742-8945

Mi'kmaq Family and Children's Services
Eskasoni
Cape Breton, NS B0A 1J0
Phone: 379-2433
Fax: 379-2381

Mi'kmaq Family & Children's Services
P.O. Box 179
Shubenacadie, NS B0N 2H0
Phone: 758-3553
Fax: 758-2390

GROUP HOMES/DEVELOPMENT RESIDENCES FOR MENTALLY CHALLENGED ADULTS

Abbott Drive Developmental Residence
7097-7099 Abbott Drive
Halifax, NS B3L 2L5
Phone: 455-5360

Basinview Drive Developmental Residence
3838 Basinview Drive
Halifax, NS B3K 5A2
Phone: 455-7421

Bonny Lea Farm
P.O. Box 560
Chester, NS B0J 1J0
Phone: 275-5622

Chemoi Group Home
P.O. Box 366
Cheticamp, NS B0E 1H0
Phone: 224-2565

Corinthian House Group Home
L'Arche Cape Breton
R.R. #1, Orangedale
Inverness County, NS B0E 2K0
Phone: 756-2976

Hawthorne Street Group Home
63 Hawthorne Street
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 2Y7
Phone: 496-0670

Heatherton Community Group Homes Society
RR #1
Heatherton, NS B0H 1R0
Phone: 386-2528

Kentville Group Home
14 Oakdene Terrace
Kentville, NS B4N 2B5
Phone: 678-1740

Kings Meadow Group Home
R.R. #1
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-4657

L'Arche Antigonish Group Home
69 St. Ninian Street
Antigonish, NS B2G 1Y7
Phone: 863-5945

Lahave Manor Group Home
58 Alexandra Avenue
Bridgewater, NS B4V 1H1
Phone: 543-7712

Lantz Group Home
Box 175
Lantz, NS B0N 1R0
Phone: 883-9469

MacDougall Avenue Developmental Residence
30 MacDougall Avenue
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 3E7
Phone: 864-2889

Maison Jerome Group Home
P.O. Box 119
Church Point, NS B0W 1M0
Phone: 769-3252

McCully House
82 Lorne Street
Truro, NS B2N 3K3
Phone: 895-4920

Oxford Street Group Home
1615 Oxford Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3Z3
Phone: 429-6137

Pleasant Street Developmental Residence
105 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3P7
Phone: 464-9131

Resi-Care Developmental Residence
880 George Street
Sydney, NS B1P 1M1
Phone: 539-5468

Resi-Care - Clyde Avenue Developmental Residence
11 Clyde Avenue
Sydney Mines, NS B1V 2E3
Phone: 736-2535

Resicare Group Home
70 George Street
Sydney, NS B1P 1H6
Phone: 562-4111

Robert Allen Drive Developmental Residence
31 Robert Allen Drive
Halifax, NS B3M 3G9
Phone: 443-6804

Rupert House
1 Rupert Street
Amherst, NS B3H 3R2
Phone: 667-3284

St. Vincent Street Group Home
15 St. Vincent Street
Stellarton, NS B0K 1S0
Phone: 755-4913

Temperance Street Developmental Residence
301 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3B5
Phone: 752-0476

Unity House Group Home
General Delivery
East Bay, NS B0A 1H0
Phone: 828-2853

Vernon Street Group Home
1648 Vernon Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3N1
Phone 422-6742

Waycobah Group Home
L'Arche Cape Breton
RR #1
Orangedale, NS B0E 2K0
Phone: 756-3160

Wolfville Developmental Residence
462 Main Street
Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0
Phone: 678-8920

GROUP HOMES
for Adults with Mental Disabilities

Byng Avenue Group Home
93 Byng Avenue
Sydney, NS B1P 5C1
Phone: 539-1739

Gottingen Street Group Home
2609 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3C7
Phone: 454-8718

Joseph Howe Drive Group Home
3235-3241 Joseph Howe Drive
Halifax, NS B3L 4H3
Phone: 454-0630

MacDonald Hall Group Home
Box 610
Inverness, NS B0E 1N0
Phone: 258-3108

Union Street Group Home
30 Union Street
Sydney, NS B1P 4X5
Phone: 539-2406

Victoria Road Group Home
70 Victoria Road
Dartmouth, NS B3A 1T8
Phone: 469-8837

GROUP HOMES
for Adults with Physical Disabilities

Homes for Independent Living
2505 Oxford Street
Halifax, NS B3L 2T5
Phone: 422-8268
Fax: 425-3151

VOCATIONAL SERVICE CENTRES/WORKSHOPS

Anchor Industries
Sackville Industrial Park
61 Glendale Avenue
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 3J4
Phone: 865-1651
Fax: 865-1580

Atelier De Clare
P.O. Box 126
Church Point, NS B0W 1M0
Phone: 769-3202
Fax: 769-0002

Beehive Adult Service Centre
P.O. Box 98
Aylesford, NS B0P 1C0
Phone: 847-9696
Fax: 847-9189

Brass Tack Industries
40 Lower MacLean Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 2K7
Phone: 849-8187

Bridge Adult Service Centre
10 Croft Street
Amherst, NS B4H 2Z4
Phone: 667-8433
Fax: 667-8433

CACL - Antigonish Branch
83 Kirk Street
Antigonish, NS B2G 1Y7
Phone: 863-5024
Fax: 863-0090

Colchester Community Workshops
575 Prince Street
Truro, NS B2N 1G2
Phone: 893-7228
Fax: 897-9120

Conway Workshop
P.O. Box 568
Digby, NS B0V 1A0
Phone: 245-5391
Fax: 245-5539

DASC Industries
Burnside Industrial Park
10 Akerley Blvd., Suite 24
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1J4
Phone: 468-6606
Fax: 468-5359

Endale Industries
P.O. Box 251
Elmsdale, NS B0N 1M0
Phone: 883-9404
Fax: 883-1251

The Flower Cart
9412 Commercial Street
New Minas, NS B4N 3E9
Phone: 681-0120
Fax: 681-0922

Golden Opportunity Vocational Rehabilitation Centre
P.O. Box 887
Springhill, NS B0M 1X0
Phone: 597-3158

The Green Door Society
P.O. Box 366
Cheticamp, NS B0E 1H0
Phone: 224-2000

Halifax Adult Services Centre
3430 Prescott Street
Halifax, NS B3K 4Y4
Phone: 454-7387
Fax: 453-0275

Heatherton Adult Service Centre
P.O. Box 114
Heatherton, NS B0H 1R0
Phone: 386-2808

Horizon Achievement Centre
Sydney Kinsman Building
780 Prince Street
Sydney, NS B1P 5N6
Phone: 539-8553
Fax: 567-0415

Human Resource Development Association (HRDA)/Stonehearth Bakery
5571 Cunard Street
Halifax, NS B3K 1C5
Phone: 453-2982
Fax: 454-6231

Inverness Cottage Workshop
P.O. Box 485
Inverness, NS B0E 1N0
Phone: 258-3316

Kay Nickerson Adult Service Centre
87A Parade Street
P.O. Box 3
Yarmouth, NS B5A 4B1
Phone: 742-2238

Lakecity Industries
386 Windmill Road
Dartmouth, NS B3A 1J5
Phone: 465-5000
Fax: 465-5009

New Leaf Enterprises
3670 Kempt Road
Halifax, NS B3K 4X8
Phone: 454-9044
Fax: 454-6121

Northside Adult Service Centre
26 Haley Street
North Sydney, NS B2A 3L3
Phone: 794-3517

Queens Adult Service Centre
P.O. Box 520
Milton, NS B0T 1P0
Phone: 354-2723
Fax: 354-2262

Regional Occupational Centre Society
P.O. Box 839
Port Hawkesbury, NS B0E 2V0
Phone: 625-0132

The Revolving Door
1 Heaven Lane
Paradise, NS B0S 1R0
Phone: 584-3332
Fax: 584-3067

Shelburne County Adult Mentally Handicapped Workshop
P.O. Box 59
Shelburne, NS B0T 1W0
Phone: 875-2455
Fax: 875-3414

Summer Street Workshop Society
72 Park Street
New Glasgow, NS B2H 4A6
Phone: 755-1745
Fax: 755-1956

Windsor Adult Vocational Services Centre
6 Centennial Drive, P.O. Box 1075
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-5160
Fax: 798-5036

Workshop Council of Nova Scotia
Central Office, Metropolitan Place
99 Wyse Road, Suite 920
Dartmouth, NS B3A 4S5
Phone: 466-2220
Fax: 461-2220
E-Mail: wc.ns@ns.sympatico.ca

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3J 1P3
Phone: 420-8825
Fax: 420-8820

NORTHERN REGIONAL HEALTH BOARD

44 Inglis Place
Truro, Nova Scotia
B2N 4B4
Phone: 897-6265
Fax: 893-0250

EASTERN REGIONAL HEALTH BOARD

65 Memorial Drive
North Sydney, NS B2A 3S8
Phone: 794-6010
Fax: 794-6022

WESTERN REGIONAL HEALTH BOARD

P.O. Box 74
Clementsport, Nova Scotia
B0S 1E0
Phone: 638-3452
Fax: 638-8170

HOME CARE NOVA SCOTIA
HOME SUPPORT AGENCY LISTING

EASTERN REGION

Antigonish & Area Homemaker' Service
25 Bay Street
Antigonish, NS B2G 2G5
Phone: 863-8181
Fax: 863-7476

Cape Breton County Homemaker Agency
39 Coxheath Road
Sydney, NS B1R 1R4
Phone: 562-5003
Fax: 564-5056

City Homemakers Service Society
Suite 2, 1283 George Street
Sydney, NS B1P 1N7
Phone: 564-0460
Fax: 564-6624

Guysborough County Homemaker Services
P.O. Box 264
Guysborough, NS B0H 1N0
Phone: 533-3655
Fax: 533-3655

Port Hawkesbury Homemakers
P.O. Box 10
Port Hawkesbury, NS B0E 2V0
Phone: 625-2746
Fax: 625-0040

Inverness County Homemaker Services
Dr. John Waters Medical Centre
P.O. Box 100
Port Hood
Inverness County, NS B0E 2W0
Phone: 787-3449
Fax: 787-2626

New Waterford Homemaker Service
Urban Centre
3390 Plummer Avenue
New Waterford, NS B1H 1Y9
Phone: 862-7554
Fax: 862-8282

Northside Visiting Homemaker Service Society
126 Main Street
Sydney Mines, NS B1V 2L6
Phone: 736-2701
Fax: 736-0957

Richmond County Home Support Services
P.O. Box 189
St. Peter's, NS B0E 3B0
Phone: 535-2828
Fax: 535-2645

Victoria County Homemaker Services
P.O. Box 278
Baddeck, NS B0E 1B0
Phone: 295-2764
Fax: 295-1152

NORTHERN REGION

Home Support Services
201 Willow Street
Truro, NS B2N 5G6
Phone: 893-3803
Fax: 893-6559

VON Amherst
P.O. Box 362
Amherst, NS B4H 3Z8
Phone: 667-8796
Fax: 667-8303

Homemaker Agency
Family & Children's Services
P.O. Box 399
Amherst, NS B4H 3Z5
Phone: 667-0870
Fax: 667-1594

VON Pictou
P.O. Box 45
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3E1
Phone: 752-3184
Fax: 755-2091

Pictou County Visiting Homemakers
610 East River Road
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3S2
Phone: 752-0560
Fax: 752-3806

CENTRAL REGION

Home Support Central
21 Dartmouth Road
Bedford, NS B4A 3X7
Phone: 832-0237
Fax: 832-0285

VON Dartmouth
88A Crichton Avenue
Dartmouth, NS B3A 3R3
Phone: 466-2388
Fax: 469-5142

Dartmouth Community Homemakers Association
Suite 203, 159 Portland Street
P.O. Box 62
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3Y2
Phone: 463-3021
Fax: 463-2699

Canadian Red Cross
1940 Gottingen Street
P.O. Box 366
Halifax, NS B3J 2P8
Phone: 424-1425
Fax: 492-0544

VON Halifax
6955 Bayers Road
Halifax, NS B3L 4S4
Phone: 453-5800
Fax: 455-0560

VON Hants West
P.O. Box 205
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-5355
Fax: 798-1035

Homemakers Bureau
Room 215
2786 Agricola Street
Halifax, NS B3K 4E1
Phone: 454-5600
Fax: 455-0143

Olsten Health Services
Suite 405, 5670 Spring Garden Road
Halifax, NS B3J 1H6
Phone: 425-3351
Fax: 425-8554

Com Care Health Services
2852 - 54 Agricola Street
Halifax, NS B3K 4E6
Phone: 453-0838
Fax: 453-1018

Northwood Home Care
2615 Northwood Terrace
Halifax, NS B3K 3S5
Phone: 421-6315
Fax: 421-6313

WESTERN REGION

Digby/Clare Home Support Agency
P.O. Box 458
Little Brook, NS B0W 1Z0
Phone: 769-3090/769-3553
Fax: 769-3668

Homemakers Services of Annapolis County
Box 213, 821 St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-7561
Fax: 532-7562

Home Support Central
P.O. Box 2320, 9 Payzant Drive
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-4452
Fax: 798-0581

Kings County Home Support Services
P.O. Box 1180
Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0
Phone: 542-2595
Fax: 542-6118

Lunenburg County Home Support Services
Suite 105, Provincial Building
99 High Street
Bridgewater, NS B4V 1V8
Phone: 543-1650
Fax: 543-4972

Region of Queens Home Support Services
P.O. Box 1283
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-3333
Fax: 354-2010

Shelburne County Home Support Services
P.O. Box 610
Shelburne, NS B0T 1W0
Phone: 875-1092
Fax: 875-1087

Yarmouth Argyle Home Care Services
Suite 106
1 Kirk Street
Yarmouth, NS B5A 1S6
Phone: 742-3024
Fax: 742-3123

HOSPITALS/COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRES

Aberdeen Hospital
835 East River Road
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3S6
Phone: 752-7600
Fax: 755-2356

All Saints Springhill
10 Princess Street
P.O. Box 700
Springhill, NS B0M 1X0
Phone: 597-3773
Fax: 597-3440

Annapolis Community Health Centre
Box 426
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-2381
Fax: 532-2113

Bayview Memorial Health Centre
Advocate Harbour
Cumberland County, NS B0M 1A0
Phone: 392-2859
Fax: 392-2625

Buchanan Memorial Hospital
Neil's Harbour, NS B0C 1N0
Phone: 336-2935
336-2200
Fax: 336-2399

Cape Breton Regional Facility
1482 George Street
Sydney, NS B1P 1P3
Phone: 567-7802
Fax: 567-7921

Cobequid Multi-Service Centre
70 Memory Lane
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2J3
Phone: 865-5750
Fax: 865-6814

Colchester Regional Hospital
207 Willow Street
Truro, NS B2N 5A1
Phone: 893-5557
Fax: 893-5559

Dartmouth General Hospital
325 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 4G8
Phone: 465-8353
Fax: 465-8537

Digby General
67 Warwick Street
P.O. Box 820
Digby, NS B0P 1A0
Phone: 245-2501
Fax: 245-5517

Eastern Kings Memorial Health Centre
P.O. Box 1180
Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0
Phone: 542-2266
Fax: 542-4619

Eastern Memorial
P.O. Box 10
Canso, NS B0H 1H0
Phone: 366-2614
366-2794
Fax: 366-2740

Eastern Shore Memorial Hospital
Sheet Harbour, NS B0J 3B0
Phone: 885-2554
Fax: 885-3200

Fishermen's Memorial
14 High Street, P.O. Box 1180
Lunenburg, NS B0J 2C0
Phone: 634-8801/857-3113
Fax: 634-3668

Glace Bay Health Care Facility
300 South Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 1K9
Phone: 567-7802
Fax: 567-7921

Guysborough Memorial Hospital
P.O. Box 170
Guysborough, NS B0H 1N0
Phone: 533-3702
Fax: 533-4066

Hants Community Hospital
9 Payzant Drive
P.O. Box 520
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-2075
Fax: 798-6002

Highland View Regional Hospital
110 E. Pleasant Street
Amherst, NS B4H 1N6
Phone: 667-3361
Fax: 667-6300

Inverness Consolidated
P.O. Box 610
Inverness, NS B0E 1N0
Phone: 258-2100
Fax: 258-3025

IWK/Grace Health Centre
5850 University Avenue
P.O. Box 3070
Halifax, NS B3J 3G9
Phone: 420-6629
Fax: 492-1446

Kings Regional Health & Rehab. Centre
Waterville, NS B0P 1V0
Phone: 538-3103
Fax: 538-7022

Lillian Fraser Memorial
P.O. Box 40, 110 Blair Street
Tatamagouche, NS B0K 1V0
Phone: 657-2382
Fax: 657-3745

Musquodoboit Valley Memorial Hospital
Middle Musquodoboit, NS B0N 1X0
Phone: 384-2220
Fax: 384-3310

New Waterford Consolidated Facility
716 King Street
New Waterford, NS B1H 3Z5
Phone: 567-7802
Fax: 567-7921

North Cumberland Memorial
P.O. Box 242, 260 Church Street
Pugwash, NS B0K 1L0
Phone: 243-2521
Fax: 243-2941

North End Community Health Association
2165 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3B5
Phone: 420-0303
Fax: 422-0859

Northside Harbour View Facility
P.O. Box 399
North Sydney, NS B2A 3M4
Phone: 567-7802
Fax: 567-7921

Nova Scotia Hearing & Speech Clinic
5657 Spring Garden Road
Suite 401, Box 120
Halifax, NS B3J 3R4
Phone: 423-7357
Fax: 423-0981

Nova Scotia Hospital
P.O. Box 1004, 300 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3Z9
Phone: 464-3287
Fax: 464-4825

Point Pleasant Lodge
1121 South Park Street
Halifax, NS B3J 2W6
Phone: 421-1599
Fax: 429-9722

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre
NS Breast Screening Clinic
Halifax Shopping Centre Tower 1,
Suite 103, 7001 Mumford Road
Halifax, NS B3L 4H6
Phone: 496-3956
Fax: 496-3959

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre
Camp Hill Medical Centre
1796 Summer Street
Halifax, NS B3H 3A7
Phone: 428-2240
Fax: 428-3368

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre
Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre
1341 Summer Street
Halifax, NS B3H 4K4
Phone: 422-1787
Fax: 425-6466

Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre
Victoria General Hospital
1278 Tower Road
Halifax, NS B3H 2Y9
Phone: 473-2110

Queens General Hospital
P.O. Box 370
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-3436
Fax: 354-2018

Roseway Hospital
P.O. Box 610
Shelburne, NS B0T 1W0
Phone: 875-3011
Fax: 875-1580

Sacred Heart Hospital
P.O. Box 129
Cheticamp, NS B0E 1H0
Phone: 224-1500
Fax: 224-2903

Soldier's Memorial Hospital
P.O. Box 730
Middleton, NS B0S 1P0
Phone: 825-3413
Fax: 825-0599

South Cumberland Community Care Centre
P.O. Box 489 (Jenks Ave.)
Parrsboro, NS B0M 1S0
Phone: 254-2540
Fax: 254-2504

South Shore Regional Hospital
90 Glen Allen Drive
Bridgewater, NS B4V 3S6
Phone: 543-4603/857-9847
Fax: 543-4719

St. Anne Community & Nursing Care Centre
P.O. Drawer 30
Arichat, NS B0E 1A0
Phone: 226-2826/226-2883
Fax: 226-1529

St. Martha's Regional Hospital
25 Bay Street
Antigonish, NS B2G 2G5
Phone: 863-2830
Fax: 863-1176

St. Mary's Memorial Hospital
P.O. Box 279 (Hospital Road)
Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0
Phone: 522-2882
Fax: 522-2556

Strait-Richmond
R.R. #1, Cleveland
Richmond County, NS B0E 1J0
Phone: 625-3100/3101
Fax: 625-3804

Sutherland Harris Memorial
20 Haliburton Road, P.O. Box 1059
Pictou, NS B0K 1H0
Phone: 485-4324
Fax: 485-8835

Twin Oaks Memorial
RR #2, P.O. Box 309
Musquodoboit Harbour, NS B0J 2L0
Phone: 889-2200
Fax: 889-2470

Valley Regional Hospital
150 Exhibition Street
Kentville, NS B4N 5E3
Phone: 678-7381
Fax: 679-1904

Victoria County Memorial
P.O. Box 220
Baddeck, NS B0E 1B0
Phone: 295-2112
Fax: 295-3432

Western Kings Memorial Health Centre
P.O. Box 490
Berwick, NS B0P 1E0
Phone: 538-3111
Fax: 538-9590

Yarmouth Regional Hospital
60 Vancouver Street
Yarmouth, NS B5A 2P5
Phone: 742-3541

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Mental Health Services - Bedford/ Sackville
11 Glendale Avenue, Unit #5
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 3P2
Phone: 865-3663
Fax: 865-2072

Mental Health Services - Halifax Co. East
9 Taranaki Drive
Cole Harbour, NS B2W 4X3
Phone: 434-3263
Fax: 434-0181

IWK-Grace Community Mental Health Centre
1464 Tower Road
Halifax, NS B3H 4L4
Phone: 422-1611
Fax: 425-1413

Kings Regional Health & Rehab. Centre
P.O. Box 128
Waterville, NS B0P 1V0
Phone: 538-3103
Fax: 538-7022

Medical Society of Nova Scotia
5 Spectacle Lake Drive
City of Lakes Business Park
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X7
Phone: 468-1866
Fax: 468-6578

North End Community Health Centre
2165 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3B5
Phone: 420-0303
Fax: 422-0859

Nova Scotia Association of Health Organizations
2 Dartmouth Road
Bedford, NS B4A 2K7
Phone: 832-8500
Fax: 832-8505

Nova Scotia Cancer Centre
5820 University Avenue
Halifax, NS B3H 1V7
Phone: 428-4200
Fax: 473-7205

Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Clinic
32nd Floor, Fenwick Place
5599 Fenwick Street
Halifax, NS B3H 1R2
Phone: 423-7354
Fax: 423-0981

Point Pleasant Lodge
1121 South Park Street
Halifax, NS B3J 2W6
Phone: 421-1599
Fax: 429-9722

St. Anne Community & Nursing Care Centre
P.O. Drawer 30
Arichat, NS B0E 1A0
Phone: 226-2826
Fax: 226-1529

LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES
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CENTRAL REGION

Armview Estates
126 Purcell's Cove Road
Halifax, NS B3P 1B5
Phone: 477-8051
Fax: 477-5726

Duncan MacMillan Home for the Aged
P.O. Box 68
Sheet Harbour
Halifax Co., NS B0J 3B0
Phone: 885-2545
Fax: 885-3289

Dykeland Lodge
124 Cottage Street
Curry's Corner
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-8346
Fax: 798-8312

Fairview Villa
245 Main Avenue
Halifax, NS B3M 1B7
Phone: 443-1971
Fax: 443-9037

Glades Lodge
25 Alton Drive
Armdale, NS B3N 1M1
Phone: 477-1777
Fax: 477-8174

Haliburton Place
P.O. Box 520
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 792-2026/792-2003
Fax: 798-4435

Melville Lodge
50 Shoreham Lane
Halifax, NS B3P 2R8
Phone: 479-1030
Fax: 477-1663

Musquodoboit Valley Home for Special Care
Middle Musquodoboit
Halifax Co., NS B0N 1X0
Phone: 384-3007
Fax: 384-3310

Northwoodcare Inc.
2630 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3C6
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Fax: 454-3422

Oakwood Terrace
10 Mount Hope Avenue
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 4K1
Phone: 469-3702
Fax: 469-3824

Oceanview Manor
P.O. Box 130
Eastern Passage, NS B3G 1M4
Phone: 465-6020
Fax: 465-4929

Saint Vincent's Guest Home
2080 Windsor Street
Halifax, NS B3K 5B2
Phone: 429-0550
Fax: 429-3703

Scotia Nursing Homes Ltd.
125 Knowles Crescent
Beaverbank, NS B4G 1E7
Phone: 865-6364
Fax: 865-3582

The Birches
Musquodoboit Harbour
Halifax Co., NS B0J 2L0
Phone: 889-3474
Fax: 889-2271

Windsor Elms
590 King Street
Windsor, NS B0N 2T0
Phone: 798-2251
Fax: 798-0914

EASTERN REGION

Alderwood Rest Home
42 Jones Street, P.O. Box 218
Baddeck, NS B0E 1B0
Phone: 295-2644
Fax: 295-1698

Breton Bay Nursing Home
70 St. Anthony Drive
Sydney, NS B1S 2R5
Phone: 539-4560
Fax: 567-6234

Canso Seaside Manor
1748 Union Street, P.O. Box 70
Canso, NS B0H 1H0
Phone: 366-3030
Fax: 366-3093

Foyer Pere Fiset
15092 Cabot Trail, P.O. Box 219
Cheticamp
Inverness Co., NS B0E 1H0
Phone: 224-2087
Fax: 224-1188

Glace Bay Health Care Facility
300 South Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 1K9
Phone: 842-2842
Fax: 842-9775

Highland Manor
175 New Haven Road, Box 48
Neil's Harbour, NS B0C 1N0

Phone: 336-2895
Fax: 336-2895

Inverary Manor
P.O. Box 460, 72 Maple St.
Inverness, NS B0E 1N0
Phone: 258-2581
Fax: 258-3865

Inverness Mem. Nursing Care Unit
Church Street, P.O. Box 610
Inverness, NS B0E 1N0
Phone : 258-2100
Fax: 258-3025

MacGillivray Guest Home Society
25 Xavier Drive
Sydney, NS B1S 2R9
Phone: 539-6110
Fax: 567-0437

MacKaracher's Nursing Home
P.O. Box 284, 53 Court Street
Sherbrooke, Guysborough Co., NS
B0J 3C0
Phone: 522-2147
Fax: 522-2628

Maple Hill Manor
700 King Street
New Waterford, NS B1H 3Z5
Phone: 862-6495
Fax: 862-9294

Milford Haven Corporation
10558, Route #16, P.O. Box 300
Guysborough, NS B0H 1N0
Phone: 533-2828
Fax: 533-4024

Miner's Memorial Manor
15 Lorne Street
Sydney Mines, NS B1V 3B9
Phone: 736-1992
Fax: 736-0667

Northside Community Guest Home
11 Queen Street
North Sydney, NS B2A 1A2
Phone: 794-4733
Fax: 794-9021

Northside Harbourview Nursing Care Unit
P.O. Box 399, 520 Purves Street
North Sydney, NS B2A 3M4
Phone: 794-8521
Fax: 794-3355

Port Hawkesbury Nursing Home
2 MacQuarrie Drive, P.O. Box 2105
Port Hawkesbury, NS B0E 2V0
Phone: 625-1460
Fax: 625-3232

R.K. MacDonald Nursing Home
64 Pleasant Street
Antigonish, NS B2G 1W7
Phone: 863-2578
Fax: 863-4437

Richmond Villa
10052 Granville Street, P.O. Box 250
St. Peter's, NS B0E 2B0
Phone: 535-3030
Fax: 535-2256

Seaview Manor
275 South Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 1W6
Phone: 849-7300
Fax: 849-7401

St. Anne's Com. & Nursing Care Centre
P.O. Drawer 30, 2313 Main Street
Arichat, NS B0E 1A0
Phone: 226-2826
Fax: 226-1529 or 226-0089

The Cove Guest Home
320 Alexandra Street
Sydney, NS B1S 2G1
Phone: 539-5267
Fax: 539-7565

Victoria Haven Nursing Home
P.O. Box 219, 5 Third Street
Glace Bay, NS B1A 5V2
Phone: 849-4127
Fax: 849-8826

NORTHERN REGION

Bayview Memorial Health Centre
General Delivery, 3375 Highway 209
Advocate Harbour, Cumberland Co., NS
B0M 1A0
Phone: 392-2859
Fax: 392-2625

East Cumberland Lodge
P.O. Box 250, 262 Church Street
Pugwash, NS B0K 1L0
Phone: 243-2504
Fax: 243-3375

Gables Lodge Limited
260 Church St.
Amherst, NS B4H 3C9
Phone: 667-3501
Fax: 667-3533

Glen Haven Manor
739 East River Road
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5E9
Phone: 752-2588
Fax: 752-0053

Glenview Lodge Limited
2062 East Prince St., RR #3
Truro, NS B2N 5B2
Phone: 895-8715
Fax: 897-1903

High-Crest Springhill Home for Special Care Ltd.
P.O. Box 2170, 11 Sproul St.
Springhill, NS B0M 1X0
Phone: 597-2797
Fax: 597-8339

Hillcrest Manors Ltd.
P.O. Box 1210, 12 Manor Dr.
Truro, NS B2N 6T1
Phone: 895-2891
Fax: 893-2361

Maritime Odd Fellows Home (IOOF)
P.O. Box 850, 143 Haliburton Road
Pictou, NS B0K 1H0
Phone: 485-5492 or 485-6868
Fax: 485-9233

Shiretown Nursing Home
P.O. Box 250, 270 Haliburton Road
Pictou, NS B0K 1H0
Phone: 485-4341
Fax: 485-9203

South Cumberland Community Care Centre
P.O. Box 330, 50 Jenks Ave.
Parrsboro, NS B0M 1S0
Phone: 254-2540
Fax: 254-2504

Valley View Villa
R.R. #1, 6125 Trafalgar Road
Stellarton, NS B0K 1S0
Phone: 755-5780
Fax: 755-3104

Willow Lodge
100 Blair Avenue, P.O. Box 249
Tatamagouche, NS B0K 1V0
Phone: 657-3101
Fax: 657-3859

WESTERN REGION

Annapolis Royal Nursing Home
9745 St. George St.
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-2240 or 532-5460
Fax: 532-7151

Evergreen Home for Special Care
655 Park Street
Kentville, NS B4N 3V7
Phone: 678-7355
Fax: 678-5996

Grand View Manor
100 Commercial Street
Berwick, NS B0P 1E0
Phone: 538-3118
Fax: 538-3998

Harbour View Haven
P.O. Box 1480. 25 Blockhouse Hill Rd.
Lunenburg, NS B0J 2C0
Phone: 634-8836
Fax: 634-8792

Hillside Pines
77 Exhibition Avenue
Bridgewater, NS B4V 3K6
Phone: 543-1525
Fax: 543-8083

Mahone Nursing Home
P.O. Box 320, 640 Main Street
Mahone Bay, NS B0J 2E0
Phone: 624-8341
Fax: 624-6338

Mountain Lea Lodge
170 Church Street
Bridgetown, NS B0S 1C0
Phone: 665-4489
Fax: 665-2900

Nakile Home for the Aged
35 Nakile Drive, RR#1
Glenwood, Yarmouth Co., NS
B0W 1W0
Phone: 643-2707
Fax: 643-2862

North Queens Nursing Home
9565 Keji Drive
Caledonia, NS B0T 1B0
Phone: 682-2553
Fax: 682-2602

Northhills Nursing Home Ltd.
5038 Granville Road, Granville Ferry
P.O. Box 220
Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0
Phone: 532-5555
Fax: 532-7449

Queens Manor
P.O. Box 1283, 171 Hollands Drive
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0
Phone: 354-3451
Fax: 354-5383

Rosedale Home for Special Care
Trunk 10, #4927, RR #2
New Germany, NS B0R 1E0
Phone: 644-2008
Fax: 644-3260

Roseway Manor Inc.
P.O. Box 518, Lake Road
Sandy Point, Shelburne, NS B0T 1W0
Phone: 875-4707
Fax: 875-4105

Shoreham Village
RR #1, P.O. Box 380
3777 North Street
Chester, NS B0J 1J0
Phone: 275-5631
Fax: 275-2586

Surf Lodge Community Continuing Care Centre
P.O. Box 160, 73 Howe Street
Lockeport, NS B0T 1G0
Phone: 656-2014 or 656-2015
Fax: 656-2026

Tidal View Manor
64 Vancouver Street
Yarmouth, NS B5A 2P5
Phone: 742-3541 ext. 290 or 602
Fax: 742-1427

Tideview Terrace
P.O. Box 1120
Digby, NS B0V 1A0
Phone: 245-4718
Fax: 245-6674

Villa Acadienne
P.O. Box 248, 8403 Highway #1
Meteghan, NS B0W 2J0
Phone: 645-2065
Fax: 645-3899

Villa St. Joseph du Lac
P.O. Box 810, R.R. #1
Lakeside, Yar. Co. NS B5A 4A5
Phone: 742-7128
Fax: 749-1349

Wolfville Nursing Home
R.R. #2, 346 Main St.
Comp. C5, Site 11
Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0
Phone: 542-2429
Fax: 542-1048

DEPARTMENT OF
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HOUSING OFFICES

REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITIES

Annapolis Valley
1005 Kentucky Court
New Minas, NS B4N 4N1
Telephone: 681-3179

Eastern Mainland
25 Orchard Terrace
Antigonish, NS B2G 2L7
Telephone: 863-1259

Cape Breton Island
18 Dolbin Street
Sydney, NS B1P 6K3
Telephone: 539-8520

Cobequid Housing
144 Victoria East
Amherst, NS B4H 4B9
Telephone: 667-8757

Metropolitan Regional
3700 Kempt Road
Halifax, NS B3K 4X8
Telephone: 420-6000

South Shore Housing
129 Aberdeen Road, Suite 101
Bridgewater, NS B4V 2S7
Telephone: 543-8200

Eastern Mainland
176 Archimedes Street
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5E1
Telephone: 752-1225

Tri County Housing
368 Main Street, Suite 206
Yarmouth, NS B5A 1E9
Telephone: 742-4269

Regional Offices:

Cape Breton Regional Office
360 Prince Street
P.O. Box 1267
Sydney, NS B1P 6J9
Telephone: 563-2120
Toll-Free: 1-800-567-2135

Central Regional Office
176 Archimedes Street
P.O. Box 481
New Glasgow, NS B2H 5E5
Telephone: 755-5065
Toll-Free: 1-800-933-2101

Metro Regional Office
Suite 304, Bedford Towers
Bedford, NS B4A 1E5
Telephone: 424-5110
Toll-Free: 1-800-774-5130

Western Regional Office
166 Commercial Street
P.O. Box 1000
Middleton, NS B0S 1P0
Telephone: 825-3481
Toll-Free: 1-800-564-3483

Field Offices:

Amherst District
144 East Victoria Street
P.O. Box 486
Amherst, NS B4H 4A1
Telephone: 667-1161

Truro District
9 Church Street
Truro, NS B2N 5E8
Telephone: 893-5999

Bridgewater District
99 High Street
Bridgewater, NS B4V 1V8
Telephone: 543-7336

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Regional Offices

Dartmouth Office
(serving Halifax County):

277 Pleasant Street, 3rd Floor
Dartmouth Nova Scotia
B2Y 4B7
Phone: 424-3307

New Glasgow Office
(serving Pictou, Guysborough, Antigonish, Colchester and Cumberland counties):

115 MacLean Street, 2nd Floor
New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
B2H 4M5
Phone: 755-7110
Toll Free: 1-800-565-7912

Sydney Office
(serving Cape Breton, Richmond, Victoria and Inverness counties):

136 Charlotte Street, 4th Floor
Harbour Place
Sydney, Nova Scotia
B1P 1C3
Phone: 563-3655
Toll Free: 1-800-565-0071

Kentville Office
(serving Annapolis, Kings, Hants, Lunenburg, Queens, Shelburne, Yarmouth and Digby counties):

49 Cornwallis Street, Suite 204
Kentville, Nova Scotia
B4N 2E3
Phone: 679-6201
Toll Free: 1-800-565-1805

Head Office:

Victims Services Division
Department of Justice
5151 Terminal Road, 3rd Floor
P.O. Box 7
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3L 2L6
Phone: 424-3309

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Provincial Parks and Facilities are as follows:

Camping Parks
(With comfort stations (flush toilets & showers)

Risser's Beach
Dollar Lake
Amherst Shore
Mira River
Five Islands
Thomas Raddall
Blomidon
Ellenwood Lake
Porter's Lake
Smiley's
Graves Island
The Islands

With Pit Privies

Valleyview
Laurie
Whycocomagh
Battery

Wildlife Parks

Shubenacadie
Upper Clements
Two Rivers

Beach Parks
(Boardwalks-Comfort Station)

Lawrencetown
Rainbow Haven
Melmerby
Dollar Lake
Clam Harbour
Dominion Beach
Risser's Beach

Pit Toilets

Mavilette
Martinique
Sand Hills
Bayfield
Pomquet
Fox Harbour
Port Shoreham Beach
Cleveland Beach
Port Hood Station
Powell's Point
Tor Bay
Summerville Beach
Taylor Head
Waterside Beach
Rushton's Beach
Pondville Beach
Point Michaud Beach
Irish Cove

Day Use Parks (Pit Toilets)

Tidnish Dock
Tatamagouche
Wentworth
Sherbrooke
Valleyview
Arisaig
Bayfield
Smugglers
Central Grove
Lake Midway
Savary
Lennox Passage
Falls Lake
Moose River
Petersfield
Lewis Lake
Lochiel Lake
Marie Joseph
Anthony Park
Elderbank
Mabou
Lake O'Law
Blomidon Look-off
Cookville

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